- (c) what steps have been taken to hold enquiry and to arrange medical treatment; and
- (d) whether ex-gratia relief has been sanctioned for the family of the person who died and also for the injured persons?

The Deputy Minister in the Ministry of Railways (Shri Shahnawaz Khan): (a) No, Sir. But an accident of this description took place on 19-5-1962.

- (b) No person was killed on the spot. Three persons were injured, of whom one was grievously injured and later died on his way to hospital.
- (c) An Assistant Officers Enquiry has been held. First aid was rendered by the train guard. Two of the injured were taken to Gomoh Railway Hospital while the third got himself admitted in the Civil Hospital. Dhanbad
 - (d) No. Sir.

Shri P. R. Chakraverti: In view of the spate of tragic occurrences, do the Government propose to do away with unmanned level crossings and, if so, by what time?

Shri Shahnawaz Khan: Government has no intention of doing away with unmanned level crossings.

Shri P. R. Chakraverti: Is it not a fact that the enquiry committees that follow as a matter of course tragic accident lead to certain specific reasons relating to the accident and, if so, may I know whether the Government examine those findings and take steps?

Shri Shahnawaz Khan: Yes. Sir. We pursue the report of every enquiry committee that is appointed and we try and do away or eliminate any causes that are pointed out.

Shri Mohammad Tahir: May I know the reason why the Government does not want to man all the level crossings?

Shri Shahnawaz Khan: The number is too large.

Oral Answers

श्री विभृति मिश्र : प्रक्सर इन लेविल कासिंग्स पर इस तरह के एक्सीडेंट हो जाते हैं । मैं जानना चाहता हूं कि क्या सरकार इसके लिए कोई ऐसा इन्तिजाम सोच रही है कि इस तरह के ऐक्सीडेंट न हो ?

श्री शाहनवाज जां : जी, वहां सरकार रेलव टेक के ऊपर बड़ा सा बोर्ड लगा देती है रेलव इजिन्स के लिए कि "व्हिसिल"। भौर सडक के ऊपर रोड भ्राथारिटी भी बोर्ड लगाती है कि ग्राग ग्रनमैंड कासिंग है, होशियारी से चलो।

Family Planning

*1261. Shri Hem Barua: Will the Minister of Health be pleased to state:

- (a) whether there is any Government machinery to measure the extent of popularity of the Family Planning Programme in the rural areas, specifically;
- (b) if so, whether it is a fact that the people in the rural areas are averse to these programmes; and
- (c) if so, what specific measures Government have adopted to family planning a greater fillip?

The Deputy Minister in the Minis. try of Health (Dr. D. S. Raju): (a) Yes, Sir.

- (b) No. Sir.
- (c) Does not arise.

Shri Hem Barua: May I know whether it is a fact that the field studies conducted on family planning especially in Delhi and Lucknow have revealed that 28 per cent of the people receive the contraceptives and 14 per cent use them regularly? so, may I know whether the Government propose to introduce the pills recently invented in the United Kingdom as a contraceptive, or propose to follow the suggestion offered by Dr. Chandrasekhar, the suggestion being the surgical sterilisation of man?

Dr. D. S. Raju: Oral pills are not supposed to be very satisfactory; they are not giving very good results. The next thing is, vasectomy; that is a voluntary affair; that is left to the people. It is not a compulsory measure.

Shri Hem Barua: In view of the fact that family planning programmes are not very popular with our people, may I know whether Government have organised any campaign to bring to the notice of the people the implications of increasing population in this country and the necessity to rehabilitate their psychology so as to accept contraceptives or the programmes of family planning?

Dr. D. S. Raju: I do not agree with the statement of the hon. Member. The family planning programme is getting very popular. For instance, I can mention that recently in a camp conducted at Satara, about 1,400 vasectomy operations have been conducted in a short period of about one week. This could not have been done if the programme was not very popular.

Shri Nath Pai: May we know which State has made the maximum record in popularising family planning and where the best results have been achieved?

Shri Tyagi: Last time it was announced that every doctor shall be given training about this operation which has been mentioned, and that this operation will be available to anybody free of any cost. Is that practice still in vogue?

Dr. D. S. Raju: Yes, Sir. It is still in vogue.

डा॰ गोषिण्य दास : परिवार नियोजन के ऊपर भव तक सरकार का कितना सर्चे हुमा है भौर परिवार नियोजन के पिहले इस देश की जनसंख्या जिस प्रकार बढ़ रही बी उसमें क्या कोई फर्क पड़ा है ? श्राध्यक्ष महोदय: श्रभी कुछ देर इंतजार कीजिये।

Shri D. C. Sharma: Is it not a fact that some State Governments are providing incentives to those persons who undergo operations and may I know whether the Central Government is going to do the same?

Dr. D. S. Raju: Yes, Sir; the Central Government is giving cent per cent assistance for these vasectomy operations and contraceptives are available freely.

Shri Basumatari: May I know whetheir it is a fact that family planning is confined only to urban areas and it is not extended to villages? If so, may I know what steps have been taken to extend it to rural areas?

Dr. D. S. Raju: It is not a fact that family planning is confined to urban areas only. Out of 4200 family planning centres which have been established, 1000 are in urban areas and 3000 are in rural areas.

Shri Hem Barua: May I know whether it is a fact that Government are trying to popularise the rhythm method and if so, whether the Government's attention has been drawn to a statement in the British House of Commons by a lady member to the effect that the rhythm method is a cruelty, since it puts a check on a man's natural impulse?

Dr. D. S. Raju: From that point of view, all these measures are a check on natural impulses.

Shri Heda: May I know whether the Government's attention has been drawn to the two facts, viz., so far as the supply of contraceptives is concerned, particularly in the rural areas it is inadequate and secondly, the quality is not so good?

Dr. D. S. Raju: It will be inadequate till we manufacture them in India. The quality also is not very good. Shri Khadilkar: May I know whether the Government's attention has been drawn to an oral contraceptive which is being used on a wide-scale in Britain and whether Government have tried that in India?

Dr. D. S. Raju: So far as contraceptives are concerned, I think rubber Sheaths are very popular in England.

Mr. Khadilkar: I was referring to the oral contraceptive.

Mr. Speaker: Question Hour is over.

WRITTEN ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS

बाच उत्पादन

*१२५०. भी रामेक्बरानन्द : क्या साद्य तथा कृषि मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

- (क) क्या सरकार ने यह जानने के लिये कोई कार्यवाही की है कि कृषकों को प्रधिक प्रश्नोत्पादन में क्या कठिनाइयां हैं;
- (ख) यदि हां, तो उसका विवरण क्या है ; ग्रीर
- (ग) यदि नहीं, तो उसके क्या कारण हैं ?

काख मंत्रालय में उपमंत्री (औ प्र० म० वासका): (क) ग्रीर (ख) संविधान के भ्रन्तगंत 'कृषि' का सम्बन्ध राज्य सरकारों से है ग्रीर विभिन्न कृषि कार्यक्रमों को क्रिया-न्वित कराने का कार्य राज्य सरकारों का है, जो कि किसानों से ग्रपना सीधा सम्बन्ध बनाये रखती हैं। केन्द्र केवल एक समन्वय करने वाली सत्ता है। व्यापक रूप में देखने पर प्रिक काखान्न उत्पादन में किसानों हारा ग्रामतौंर पर ग्रनुभव हीने वाली कुछ मुख्य कठिनाइयां निम्नलिखत हैं:—

- (१) ऋण सुविधाय्रों की कमी ।
- (२) प्रपर्याप्त सिचाई-सुविधायें ।
- (३) उत्पादन की भ्रपेक्षित वस्तुभ्रों जैसे उर्वरक, कीटनाशी दवा,

बीज ग्रौर ग्रीजार इत्यादि की कमी ग्रौर ग्रसमय पर उनकी उपलब्धि।

(४) उन्नत कृषि विधियों के बारे में ज्ञान की कमी ।

इन कठिनाइयों की समाप्ति करने के लिये पंचवर्षीय योजनाम्रो के म्रन्तर्गत म्रावश्यक कदम उठाने का भ्रायोजन किया गया है।

(ग) प्रश्न नहीं होता ।

Misuse of Decimal Coinage by Railway Booking Clerks

*1255. { Shri Jedhe: Shri P. L. Barupal:

Will the Minister of Railways be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it is a fact that for the Railway tickets costing fraction of five nP., full 5 nPs. are being paid by the passengers as the window booking clerks do not possess small coins of one or two nPs. and thus charge more than what is printed on tickets;
- (b) if so, whether Government are considering to do away with fraction of 5 nP. in fixing fares (as is in respect of fares of Delhi Transport Undertaking); and
- (c) if the reply to part (b) above be in the negative, the reasons therefor?

The Deputy Minister in the Ministry of Railways (Shri Shah Nawaz Khan): (a) A few such complaints have been received.

(b) and (c). From 1st July, 1962, passenger fares will be notified in units of 5 nPs except in a few cases of third class fares for short distances where the fare has not been rounded off to 5 nPs to avoid a steep increase.

Speed of Coastal Ships

*1262. Shri Warior: Will the Minister of Transport and Communications be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the