

**Shri Warior:** May I know whether the hon. Minister knows anything about the general convention of . . .

**Shri Raj Bahadur:** Sir, I am not able to follow the hon. Member.

**Mr. Speaker:** Next question.

दिल्ली के चारों ओर रेलवे लाइन

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\*६२०. { श्री महेश्वर नायाक :  
श्री प्रकाशबीर शस्त्री :  
श्री प्र० चं० बबुआ :  
श्री वी० चं० शर्मा :  
श्री इ० मधुसूदन राव :

क्या रेलवे मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या दिल्ली के चारों ओर रेलवे लाइन विद्यमान में कोई प्रगति हुई है ;

(ख) क्या दिल्ली में बम्बई और कलकत्ता की भांति बिजली की रेल चलाने की कोई योजना है ; और

(ग) क्या दिल्ली के उपनगरीय स्टेशनों से गाड़ियों में चढ़ने वाले यात्रियों की कठिनाइयों को कम करने के लिये सरकार कोई कार्यवाही करने विचार कर रही है ?

**रेलवे मंत्रालय में उपमंत्री (श्री शाहनवाज खां):** (क) दिल्ली एवार्डिंग लाइन और रिंग रेलवे के मंजूरी अभी हाल में दी गई है और इस के लिये जमीन लेने की कार्रवाई शुरू की गई है। जमीन पर कब्जा मिलते ही लाइन बनाने का काम शुरू कर दिया जायेगा।

(ख) जी नहीं।

(ग) दिल्ली क्षेत्र के सभी उपनगरीय स्टेशनों पर बुनियादी यात्री सुविधाएँ मौजूद हैं। यदि रकम मिल गयी, तो एक कार्यक्रम के अनुसार यात्री-सुविधाओं में सुधार करने का विचार है।

[The answer was also read by the Minister in English]

(a) The work Delhi Avoiding lines-cum-Ring Railway has been sanctioned recently, and the proceedings for land acquisition have been taken in hand. The actual construction work will be commenced as soon as possession of land is obtained.

(b) No, Sir.

(c) Basic passenger amenities exist at all suburban stations in Delhi area. Improvements in passenger amenities are proposed to be made on a programme subject to availability of funds.

**Shri Maheswar Naik:** May I know what is the total mileage which this ring railway is likely to cover and what is the total estimate of the cost involved in it?

**Shri Shahnawaz Khan:** The length is approximately 11 miles and the cost would be Rs. 2.43 crores.

**Shri Maheswar Naik:** Soon after this railway is set up, may I know whether the Government think that the congestion in the city will be relieved; if so, may I know whether Government have any proposals for construction of underground railways?

**Mr. Speaker:** Let this railway come first.

**Shri S. M. Banerjee:** Since the work has already started regarding the acquisition of land, I want to know whether the work is likely to be taken up even in the Third Plan period.

**Shri Shahnawaz Khan:** It all depends upon the availability of land that is required by us and also subject to availability of funds.

**Shri S. N. Chaturvedi:** Is it proposed to be run by steam traction?

**Shri Shahnawaz Khan:** Yes, by steam traction.

**Shri Hanumanthaiya:** Is the scheme likely to be extended to other big

cities also to have suburban electrical trains?

**Mr. Speaker:** Let us have it first here.

**Shri Shah Nawaz Khan:** The hon. Member has confused the question. There is no intention on our part to have suburban electrical train here. It will be only by steam traction.

#### National Water Supply and Sanitation Committee

\*921. **Shri Harish Chandra Mathur:** Will the Minister of Health be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have considered the report of the National Water Supply and Sanitation Committee; and

(b) what are Government's conclusions and proposed line of action?

**The Deputy Minister in the Ministry of Health (Dr. D. S. Raju):** (a) and (b). The Water Supply and Sanitation Committee has made far-reaching recommendations which are at present under consideration of the Government. Action is being initiated to implement some of the major recommendations as an immediate measure.

**Shri Harish Chandra Mathur:** May I know at what stage of examination this report is at present? I am asking this question because most of the officials were already associated with the work of this committee. Who is examining the report now?

**Dr. D. S. Raju:** The whole report is a pretty big one and it was published only two days ago. It has been circulated to the Central Ministry.

**Shri Harish Chandra Mathur:** The report was submitted more than four or five months earlier. May I know whether this matter has been taken up with the Planning Commission and whether anything can be expected, particularly regarding rural water supply, about which so much stress

has been laid on the floor of the House?

**Dr. D. S. Raju:** The report has been circulated to the Central Ministries, Planning Commission, State Governments and local bodies.

**श्री विभूति मिश्र :** जै जाना चाहता हूँ कि यह काम इतना जरूरी है इसको देखते हुए क्या सरकार ने पानी का कोई बटवारा किया है कि फलां स्टेट में इतना देंगे, और इतने दिनों के अन्दर इस काम के करा देंगे ?

**अध्यक्ष महोदय :** अभी रिपोर्ट को पढ़ेंगे, देख रहे हैं ।

#### Sharavathy Hydro-electric Project

\*922. **Shri Shivananjappa:** Will the Minister of Irrigation and Power be pleased to state:

(a) whether the work on the Sharavathy Hydro-Electric Project is progressing according to schedule; and

(b) when the first and second units will be commissioned?

**The Minister of State in the Ministry of Irrigation and Power (Shri Alagesan):** (a) and (b). The first unit which was scheduled to be commissioned by the end of 1962 is now expected to be commissioned by the end of 1963. The second unit which was to be commissioned 3 or 4 months later will now be commissioned early in 1964.

**Shri Shivananjappa:** May I know the reason for the delay and for not keeping up to the schedule?

**Shri Alagesan:** The reason was more time was taken in carrying out the civil works due to change of designs.

**Shri Shivananjappa:** May I know whether the total foreign exchange requirement of this project has been secured?