

has been made by the Railway Department during the last one year; and

(b) if so, the result of such analysis and the steps taken in that regard?

The Deputy-Minister of Railways (Shri Shahnawas Khan): (a) Yes, in certain branches of the Railways as considered necessary.

(b) Based on results of Job Analysis in some cases, additional posts had been sanctioned, or adjustment of duties attached to certain posts had been made. In some cases the proposals for additional posts based on job analysis are under examination.

Andaman Forests

*437. Shri S. C. Samanta: Will the Minister of Food and Agriculture be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that elephants, are used in the exploitation of Andaman Forests;

(b) if so, how many elephants are at present working under Government agencies;

(c) whether they are indigenous or they have been imported from main land; and

(d) what sort of works are being done by these elephants?

The Minister of Food and Agriculture (Shri A. F. Jain): (a) Yes.

(b) 99 elephants including 9 calves.

(c) Elephants are not indigenous to the Andamans.

(d) Elephants are engaged in timber dragging, stacking, loading and unloading in trucks, rafting of logs and to pull timber trucks along tram tracks.

Imphal Water Supply

*438. Shri L. Achaw Singh: Will the Minister of Health be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that there has not been appreciable improvement of the Imphal water supply since the integration of the State;

(b) whether an amount of Rs. 28 lakhs had been allotted for the improvement of Imphal water supply during the First Five Year Plan;

(c) whether the amount was utilised; and

(d) the progress of the work undertaken in this connection?

The Minister of Health (Shri Karmarkar): (a) Due to non-availability of cast iron pipes, the scheme could not be executed expeditiously.

(b) The Imphal water supply scheme was sanctioned in 1955 at an estimated cost of Rs. 28.36 lakhs

(c) Not yet.

(d) Cast iron pipes which were indented sometime ago, are now being received. Order for other items such as filtration plant and water lifting pumps has also been placed. For structural work such as service reservoirs etc. tenders are being invited.

Third Class Coaches

*439. { Shri Heda:
Shri Bibhut Mishra:

Will the Minister of Railways be pleased to state:

(a) how many new third class coaches with two inch thick pfo-foam cushions covered by rexine have been built and put on the lines;

(b) what is the target for the year 1957-58; and