

**Food Position in Eastern U.P.**

\*211. { Shri Raghunath Singh:  
Shri S. M. Banerjee:

Will the Minister of Food and Agriculture be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that he has visited the Eastern U.P., recently; and

(b) if so, his view about the food situation there?

The Minister of Food and Agriculture (Shri A. P. Jain): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The damage to Khariff crops by drought is not likely to be as heavy as was originally apprehended and the State Government is in a position to deal with the food situation.

**P. & T. Administrative Circle in Mysore**

\*212. Shri Mohamed Imam: Will the Minister of Transport and Communications be pleased to state:

(a) whether representations have been made to Government to constitute the State of Mysore into a postal and telegraphic administrative circle; and

(b) if so, what action has been taken on these representations?

The Minister of State in the Ministry of Transport and Communications (Shri Raj Bahadur): (a) Yes.

(b) Replies have been given that it is not proposed to take up the question at present

**इजनों और डिब्बों को नुकसान**

\*२१३. श्री डाक्टर : क्या रेलवे मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या यह सच है कि १७ दिसम्बर, १९५७ को बमनया और भेरौगढ़ के बीच मिट्टी डालने के कारण इंजन, कुछ डिब्बों और रेल की पातों को काफी नुकसान पहुंचा था ; और

(ख) क्या इस घटना की कोई विभागीय जांच करवायी गयी है ?

रेलवे डायरेक्टर (श्री साहबदास झा) :  
(क) जी नहीं। शायद यानतीय सदस्य का मतलब उस दुर्घटना से है जो २६-१२-५७ को हुई। इस दुर्घटना में देहरादून एक्सप्रेस के चार डिब्बों के पायदान पट्टी के पास पड़े हुए पत्थर के टुकड़ों से रगड़ खा गये, जिसकी वजह से उनको मामूली नुकसान पहुंचा। रावटी-भेरौगढ़ सेक्शन में कटाव (cuttings) चौड़ा करने के लिये बारूद लगायी गयी थी जिसकी वजह से पत्थर के टुकड़े पट्टी के पास जमा हो गये थे। इंजन या लाइन को कोई नुकसान नहीं पहुंचा।

(ख) जी हा।

**Eradication of Kans in Jhansi**

\*214. Dr. Sushila Nayar: Will the Minister of Food and Agriculture be pleased to refer to the reply given to Starred Question No. 667 on the 6th August, 1957 and state:

(a) what is the extent of recurrence of Kans in Mehrauli Mauranipur and Garotha areas of Jhansi district of Uttar Pradesh;

(b) what steps Government propose to take to eradicate Kans there; and

(c) what relief Government have given or propose to give to the farmers for the last Kans eradication charges in view of the inadequacy of the work done and inability of the farmers to pay the heavy charges demanded by Government?

The Minister of Food and Agriculture (Shri A. P. Jain): (a) On the basis of a survey conducted in September, 1957, the extent of recurrence of Kans has been roughly estimated as 25%, 20% and 15% in the Mehrauli, Mauranipur and Garotha areas respectively.