

(b) the demands put forth by the Association; and

(c) the Government's reactions thereto?

The Deputy Minister of Railways (Shri Shah Nawaz Khan): (a) No intimation of the reported decision has been received from the Association which is not a recognised body.

(b) and (c). Do not arise.

भाजोपुर से घाने रेलवे लाइन का बढ़ाया जाना

*१६६६. श्रीमती कुम्ला मेहता : क्या रेलवे मंत्री यह बनाने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या यह सज है कि भाजोपुर से घाने रेलवे लाइन बढ़ाने का निश्चय किया गया है ; और

(ख) यदि हा, तो यह काम कब तक प्रारम्भ किया जाएगा ?

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(क) जी नहीं। इस सुझाव पर विचार किया जा रहा है।

(ख) सबाल नहीं उठवा।

Hospital Building in Shahdara

*1670. { Shri Raghunath Singh:
Dr. Ram Subhag Singh:

Will the Minister of Health be pleased to state whether it is a fact that the hospital building of Shahdara is lying vacant since last 18 months?

The Minister of Health (Shri Karmarkar): No, Sir. Only the Out-patient Department of the proposed 50 bedded General Hospital at Shahdara which has been constructed is lying vacant as the essential services like water, electricity, etc. have not yet been provided. The hospital building is yet to be constructed.

Indian Council of Agricultural Research

*1671. { Shri Kumbhar:
Shri Ram Krishan:

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

(a) whether the Northern and Himalayan Regional Committees of the Indian Council of Agricultural Research have considered a scheme to produce artificial rain by the installation of Steam Injectors during the Monsoon season, in the meeting held in Chandigarh on 8th and 9th September, 1958;

(b) if so, the nature of the scheme; and

(c) the steps proposed to be taken for this scheme?

The Minister of Food and Agriculture (Shri A. P. Jain): (a) The scheme was considered by the Northern Regional Committee of the Indian Council of Agricultural Research which met at Chandigarh on 6th September, 1958.

(b) The scheme is intended to cause an increase in the amount of rainfall by artificial stimulation of clouds in a particular area by "Steam Injectors".

(c) The Scheme will be considered by the Scientific Committees and the Advisory Board of the Council and, if it is recommended by them, approval of the Governing Body to the allotment of funds will be obtained at its meeting to be held in December, 1958.

Postal Services in Lahaul Area

*1672. Shri Hem Raj: Will the Minister of Transport and Communications be pleased to state:

(a) whether any representations have been received from Lahaul Tribes for making better arrangement for carriage of postal dak and disbursement of money orders in that area; and