

or other responsibilities involved in this matter.

Shri S. C. Samanta: May I know how much time the Poona Research Station took to suggest these modifications, and whether the berthing over will have to be stopped when these modifications will be taken up?

Shri Raj Bahadur: This defect was noticed in December, 1955. Necessary data regarding the currents, their directions, strength etc had to be collected, it was done by the middle of 1956, when the matter was referred to the Poona Research Station along with these data, and the Poona Research Station submitted its report somewhere about June, 1957. Thereafter a committee has been set up for examining these recommendations, and the Nautical Adviser and the Chief Engineer of the Cochin Port are there on it.

Kadur-Chickmagalur-Sakaleshpur-Mangalore Line

*1686. **Shri Keshava:** Will the Minister of Railways be pleased to state

(a) whether it is a fact that repeated representations are made by the public of Mysore for construction of Kadur-Chickmagalur-Sakaleshpur - Mangalore Railway line, and

(b) if so, with what results?

The Deputy Minister of Railways (Shri S. V. Ramaswamy): (a) Yes, Sir. Representations were received for the construction of this line.

(b) Engineering and Traffic surveys have been carried out and the reports are awaited.

Shri Keshava: May I know whether it is a fact that since there is a large growing of coffee, tea, pepper, cardamom and things of that kind in this area, the Mysore Government, prior to integration, had also agreed to put up this line, and the Union Government promised to take up this link?

Shri S. V. Ramaswamy: I do not know about that, but the Mysore Gov-

ernment recommended construction of this line. I know that much.

Shri Basappa: May I know whether this is only a link line in the Hasan-Mangalore railway line?

Shri S. V. Ramaswamy: It is an alternative route, up to Sakaleshpur, the line seems to be common. Two surveys have been made, one *via* Mudigere and the other *via* Chickmagalur-Belur.

Shri Dasappa: May I know whether it is a fact that there are these alternative routes, that has held up the progress of the scheme for the acceptance of the scheme?

Shri S. V. Ramaswamy: No, this has not been included in the Second Plan for various reasons, primarily for want of finance.

Shri Dasappa: May I know the total mileage from Kadur up to the point where it joins the Hasan-Mangalore line?

Shri S. V. Ramaswamy: From Kadur to Chickmagalur it is a distance of 34 miles, and from Chickmagalur to Sakaleshpur it is a distance of 37 miles.

Shri Thirumala Rao: The hon. Minister was pleased to tell us that they were awaiting the engineering and traffic survey report. Can we take it that the policy of Government is that when once they receive this report they will implement the recommendation in this report?

Shri S. V. Ramaswamy: No.

Shri T. B. Vittal Rao: The hon. Minister of Railways, in the course of his reply to the general discussion on the Railway Budget said that the question of taking up the Hasan-Mangalore railway line will be decided and made known during the course of this session. May I know whether a decision has been arrived at?

The Minister of Railways (Shri Jagjivan Ram): Efforts are being made to expedite the decision.

Shri T. B. Vittal Rao: In view of the fact that the traffic and engineering surveys are only for a distance of 128 miles from Kadur to Sakaleshpur via Chikmagalur may I know the reasons for the delay in getting these traffic and engineering survey reports?

Shri S. V. Ramaswamy: The delays are due to the following reasons. The proposal is not included in the Second Plan, nor in those projects for which advance action has been permitted by the Planning Commission; hence, owing to lack of priority, the finalisation of the survey reports has taken longer than normal.

Shri T. B. Vittal Rao: May I know where these survey reports are lying?

Shri S. V. Ramaswamy: They are not lying. They are being considered by the railway.

Mr. Speaker: They are standing!

Shri T. B. Vittal Rao: May I know whether it is with the Railway Board or the railway administration?

Shri S. V. Ramaswamy: They are with the railway administration. They have not reached the Board yet.

Dam on River Beas

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 Shri Ram Krishan Gupta:
 Shri D. C. Sharma:
 Shri Daljit Singh:
 Sardar Iqbal Singh:

Will the Minister of Irrigation and Power be pleased to refer to the reply given to Unstarred Question No. 634 on the 1st December, 1958 and state:

(a) whether the investigations regarding construction of Dam on the river Beas have been completed; and

(b) if so, the details thereof?

The Deputy Minister of Irrigation and Power (Shri Hathi): (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

Shri Ram Krishan Gupta: May I know whether it is a fact that the Punjab Government has modified this scheme and submitted a new scheme

which is known as the Sutlej-Beas scheme?

Shri Hathi: We have not got the detailed project report from the Punjab Government as yet.

Mr. Speaker: Shri Daljit Singh. The hon. Member has not risen. I ought not to have called him. If hon. Members are not ready, I will pass on to the next question.

Shri Daljit Singh: May I know the number of villages affected by this dam?

Shri Hathi: I have not got the project report as yet from the Punjab Government.

Shri Daljit Singh: I have not heard the reply to this question.

Mr. Speaker: He has not heard the reply to the question?

An Hon. Member: He could not hear.

Mr. Speaker: I think he has missed the bus!

Calcutta Milk Supply Scheme

*1668. **Shri Ramchwar Tantis:** Will the Minister of Food and Agriculture be pleased to state the progress made so far in regard to the Calcutta Milk Supply scheme?

The Deputy Minister of Agriculture (Shri M. V. Krishnappa): The following progress has been made:—

(1) Accommodation to house 6,360 milch animals, their youngstock and their owners, has been built at the Haringhata Milk Colony. Accommodation for another 3,816 milch animals is under construction.

(2) A large part of fodder farm at Kalyani has been developed and brought under cultivation.

(3) Nearly 5,000 milch animals, removed from stables in Calcutta, and their owners have been rehoused at the Haringhata Milk Colony.