

(ब) यदि हाँ, तो उपरोक्त सुक्ति द्वारा अपना कार्य कब तक प्रारम्भ किये जाने की आशा है ?

स्वास्थ्य मंत्री (श्री करनरकर) : (क) कुछ स्थानों में प्रायुर्वेदिक औषधियों . आसानी से नहीं मिलती हैं ।

(ख) जी नहीं ।

(ग) यह प्रश्न नहीं उठता ।

Ad hoc Railway Tribunal

*256. { Shri Kunhan:
Shri T. B. Vittal Rao:
Shri Vajpayee:

Will the Minister of Railways be pleased to refer to the reply given to Starred Question No. 2181 on the 1st May, 1959 and state:

(a) whether the examination of the report submitted by the 'Ad-hoc' Tribunal which went into the grievances of Railwaymen has since been concluded;

(b) if so, the nature of decision arrived at; and

(c) when the same will be given effect to?

The Deputy Minister of Railways (Shri Shah Nawas Khan): (a) to (c) The Press Communique issued in this connection is laid on the Table of the House. [See Appendix II, annexure No. 4].

Air Mail Service

*257 Shri Rami Reddy: Will the Minister of Transport and Communications be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have laid down any policy for carrying air mail to the District Headquarters where there are aerodromes;

(b) whether there is any proposal to carry mail by air to Krishnapuram after the completion of the aerodrome there; and

(c) if so, the details of the proposal?

The Minister of Transport and Communications (Shri S. K. Patil):

(a) No. The policy of the Government is to despatch all first class and surcharged second class mails generally by the air services of the Indian Airlines Corporation wherever expedition is gained by such despatch.

(b) No such proposal is under consideration. In case an Indian Airlines Corporation air service will operate to Krishnapuram, this service will be utilised for conveyance of mails, if it is found to be advantageous.

(c) Does not arise for the present.

Death of Fish at Okhla

*258. Shri Muhammed Elias: Will the Minister of Health be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that thousands of fish are dying in the Yamuna at Okhla of suffocation from sewage flowing into the river from the Nizamuddin drain;

(b) whether it is a fact that the worst victims are some species for whom this is the egg-laying season; and

(c) if so, the steps taken to prevent this?

The Minister of Health (Shri Karmarkar): (a) About 15 maunds of fish died in Yamuna at Okhla due to pollution of water caused by the sewage discharge into the river from Nizamuddin Nallah on the 20th May, 1959.

(b) Yes, Sir. There are some species of fish namely, *Mystus*, *Seenghala* and *Eutroplichthya wacha* and *Chillas* which have suffered most from the discharge of the Nallah. These species breed at the advent of monsoon.

(c) (i) Water was got flushed from Okhla reservoir and this averted further mortality.

(ii) Necessary works to prevent overflow of sewage into the river are