

State Government. The scheme is at present under technical examination in the Central Water and Power Commission.

**Transport Cooperative Societies**

\*367. { Shri Sabodh Hansda:  
Shri S C Samanta:

Will the Minister of Transport and Communications be pleased to state.

(a) whether the scheme for setting up of transport co-operative societies in States has been finalised;

(b) if so, the number of co-operative societies formed upto-date; and

(c) the main functions of these societies?

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

(b) No co-operative societies have so far been formed. The details in regard to the financial assistance etc required by the State Governments, who have agreed to implement the scheme, are being finalised and the training of personnel to man these societies is expected to start very soon.

(c) The main function of these societies will be to operate selected inter-city goods transport services on cooperative basis.

**World Bank Team Visit**

\*368. { Shri Harish Chandra Mathur:  
Shri Radha Raman:  
Shri Shree Narayan Das:  
Shri Ram Krishan Gupta:  
Shri D C. Sharma:  
Shri Ajit Singh Sarhadi.  
Shri Jaganatha Rao:  
Shri Raghunath Singh:  
Shri N R Munisamy:  
Shri Vajpayee:  
Shri Sarju Pandey:  
Shri Sanganna:  
Shri P. G. Deb:  
Shri Viswanatha Reddy:

Will the Minister of Railways be pleased to state:

(a) whether International Bank for Reconstruction and Development sent a team which visited various Railway centres in India and met Railway Board during May, 1959;

(b) what was the purpose of the visit, and

(c) what is the result of negotiations with this team?

The Deputy Minister of Railways (Shri Shahnawaz Khan): (a) Yes, Sir

(b) and (c) The Team was sent to make an on the spot study of the progress of the Railways' part of the Second Five Year Plan and to study the operation of the Railways. No negotiations were held with the Team.

**World Health Assembly in Geneva**

\*369. { Shri Radha Raman:  
Shri Shree Narayan Das:  
Shri Vajpayee:  
Shri Raghunath Singh:  
Shri P. G. Deb:

Will the Minister of Health be pleased to state:

(a) whether a copy of the decisions taken and recommendations made by the 12th World Health Assembly held in Geneva will be laid on the Table;

(b) whether it is proposed to hold the Session of the World Health Assembly in India in 1961; and

(c) if so the approximate expenditure likely to be incurred in this connection?

The Minister of Health (Shri Kar-markar): (a) A copy of the decisions taken and recommendations made by the 12th World Health Assembly held in Geneva in May 1959 is laid on the Table of the Sabha [Placed in Library. See No LT-1530/59]

(b) Yes

(c) The approximate expenditure will be about Rs 10 lakhs besides providing facilities such as office accommodation, transport, equipment, telephones, telegrams, etc as the host country.