

laid on the Table of the Lok Sabha. [See Appendix I, annexure No. 23].

Fire in Railway Godown at Howrah

*88. **Shri Subiman Ghose:** Will the Minister of Railways be pleased to refer to the reply given to Starred Question No. 42 on the 2nd August, 1960 regarding fire in Railway Godown at Howrah and state:

(a) whether the enquiry has since been completed;

(b) if so, what are the findings;

(c) the loss sustained by the Railway;

(d) what are the articles consumed by fire and the value of each category of articles;

(e) whether any unclaimed property has since been claimed by anybody after the fire; and

(f) how many fire brigades were engaged and the time taken for extinguishing the fire?

The Deputy Minister of Railways (Shri S. V. Ramaswamy): (a) and (b). No, Sir. Enquiry has not yet been finalised.

(c) Rs. 55,000 (Approximately), on account of destruction and damage to the goods stored in the godown.

(d) A list showing category of articles destroyed by fire is laid on the Table of the Lok Sabha. [See Appendix I, annexure No. 24].

(e) No.

(f) Six fire brigades were engaged to fight out the fire which was brought under control within 5 hrs. of its outbreak, but about 41 hours were taken to extinguish the same completely.

Nutrition

*89. **Shri Hem Barua:** Will the Minister of Health be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the U.N. Children's Emergency Fund is assisting India in an "expanded nutrition programme" for the development and distribution of productive foods in certain parts of the country; and

(b) if so, what steps Government have so far taken to utilise this assistance, and what are the areas of the country where this is already undertaken or is proposed to be undertaken?

The Minister of Health (Shri Karmarkar): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) So far, the Governments of Orissa and Andhra Pradesh have availed themselves of the assistance offered by the U.N.I.C.E.F. in this regard. They have been allocated \$ 165,000 and \$ 2 17,000 respectively, for technical supplies, equipments, stipends etc. The representative of the U.P. Government are having discussions with the U.N.I.C.E.F. for implementing the scheme in Uttar Pradesh.

Integral Coach Factory, Perambur

*90. **Shri T. B. Vittal Rao:** Will the Minister of Railways be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is any proposal to manufacture spare parts for Coaches at the Integral Coach Factory;

(b) whether the Railway Board is aware of the fact that due to lack of spare parts for these coaches considerable difficulty is experienced in carrying out repairs; and

(c) if the reply to part (a) above be in the negative, how the supply of spare parts is likely to be made?

The Deputy Minister of Railways (Shri Shahnawaz Khan): (a) and (c). The Integral Coach Factory are already supplying spare parts for integral Coaches to the Railways except such of the items as are easily manufactured in the Railway Workshops or are easily purchased locally from the market.

(b) Sometimes difficulty is experienced in arranging immediate replacement of certain coach fittings which are frequently stolen from the carriages, when such fittings are not available in stock.