

year, depending upon receipt of Permanent Way materials.

(b) and (c). No date has yet been fixed.

Train Accident near Delhi

*987. { Shri Ram Saran:
Shri Ram Krishan Gupta:

Will the Minister of Railways be pleased to state:

(a) whether the 14 Down Upper India Express collided with a truck five miles from Delhi on Saturday night the 3rd of December, 1960 after the train had left Delhi Station at 8-10 P.M.;

(b) whether the smashed truck was dragged for about 200 yards and blocked both the tracks;

(c) whether the train for Saharanpur which approached the scene of the accident could be stopped in time to avert a collision;

(d) whether some important trains had to wait for more than four hours to start from or reach Delhi; and

(e) how it took about five hours to clear the track at a place so near Delhi?

The Deputy Minister of Railways (Shri S. V. Ramaswamy): (a) to (d). Yes Sir.

(e) It took about four hours to clear the track. There was no avoidable delay in clearance operations.

Wheat Stock in Madhya Pradesh

*988. { Shri Mahanty:
Shri Ram Krishan Gupta:

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

(a) whether the Government of Madhya Pradesh had approached Gov-

ernment of India to lift its wheat stock; and

(b) if so, what steps were taken by Government in the matter?

The Deputy Minister of Food and Agriculture (Shri A. M. Thomas): (a) and (b). No, Sir, the Madhya Pradesh Government had sought the assistance of the Government of India only in the disposal of their stocks of wheat. The matter is under consideration at present.

Tokens for Making Telephone Calls

*989. Shri Ram Krishan Gupta: Will the Minister of Transport and Communications be pleased to refer to the reply given to Unstarred Question No. 1586 on the 28th August, 1960 and state whether the proposal for manufacture of tokens for making telephone calls has since been settled in consultation with the Ministry of Finance?

The Minister of Transport and Communications (Dr. P. Subbarayan): The proposal has since been dropped.

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*९९०. { श्री भक्त वशंत :
श्री अजित सिंह सरहवी :

क्या स्वास्थ्य मंत्री २ अगस्त, १९६० के तारंकित प्रश्न संख्या ४३ के उत्तर के सम्बन्ध में यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि नई दिल्ली स्थित अखिल भारतीय चिकित्सा संस्था में ६५० विस्तर वाले एक अस्पताल की स्थापना के बारे में अब तक क्या प्रगति हुई है ?

स्वास्थ्य मंत्री (श्री करमरकर) : अस्पताल के बहिरंग रोगी विभाग के निर्माण कार्य को संस्था की भवन समिति द्वारा मान्य एक ठेकेदार को शीघ्र ही सौंप दिये जाने की आशा है । ६५० बिस्तरों वाले अस्पताल तथा सम्बन्धित भवनों के निर्माण के प्राक्कलन विचाराधीन हैं ।