

certificate for 1287 tons was issued to the contractors on 3-1-60.

(b) The progress has been generally slow, but this is not due to the non-supply of steel.

(c) The amount spent to the end of November, 1960 is Rs. 6,87,600 (booked expenditure) plus Rs. 61,000 liabilities incurred.

Derailment near Pipalia Station

*1077. **Shri M. B. Thakore:** Will the Minister of Railways be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that 412 Dn. Passenger train was derailed between Pipalia and Dahinsara Railway Stations on 3rd December, 1960 on Morvi-Navlakhi line of Western Railway; and

(b) if so, the details thereof?

The Deputy Minister of Railways (Shri S. V. Ramaswamy): (a) and (b). Yes Sir. On 3rd December 1960 at about 6.45 hours, while 412 Down Passenger train was running between Pipalia Road and Dahinsara stations of Western Railway, five coaches of the train derailed. None were injured. The cause of the accident is under investigation.

Firing in Train

*1078. { **Shri Ram Krishan Gupta:**
Shri Sarju Pandey:

Will the Minister of Railways be pleased to refer to the reply given to Starred Question No. 822 on the 26th August, 1960 and state:

(a) whether the enquiry into the incident of firing on 1 B.D.B. train between Bhiwani Khera and Sat Road Stations on the 27th December, 1958 has since been completed; and

(b) if so, the findings thereof?

The Deputy Minister of Railways (Shri S. V. Ramaswamy): (a) and (b). Yes Sir. The police investigation into this incident has since concluded and the case remained untraced.

Khosla Committee Report

*1079. { **Shri T. B. Vittal Rao:**
Shri Ram Krishan Gupta:
Shri D. C. Sharma:

Will the Minister of Railways be pleased to refer to the reply given to Unstarred Question No. 1296 on the 23rd August, 1960 and state:

(a) whether Government have since considered the Khosla Committee Report on Railway Bridges; and

(b) if so, what recommendations have been accepted?

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

(b) Of the five recommendations made by the Committee as a short term plan, three have been accepted and already implemented. The other two have been accepted but can be implemented only after the results of actual field observations have been compiled and studied. The five recommendations suggested by the Committee in the long term plan envisage co-ordinated action in the future by a number of departments under different Ministries and action is being taken.

Medical Personnel

2225. **Shri Morarka:** Will the Minister of Health be pleased to lay a statement on the Table showing:

(a) the number of

- (i) hospitals;
- (ii) hospital beds;
- (iii) doctors; and
- (iv) nurses

in 1950-51;

(b) the plan targets for the above items for the First and Second Five Year Plans, the achievements during the same period together with the financial allocations and the amounts actually spent during the First and Second Plan periods so far; and

(c) the reason for the short fall, if any, in achieving the physical targets?