

rural water supply schemes on their own.

(b) and (c). As only certain elaborate types of rural water supply schemes are proposed to be taken up under the National Water Supply and Sanitation Programme, there will be limited provision under the 'Health' Plan. In this connection attention is also invited to paras 39-41 of Chapter Vi of the Draft Outline of the Third Five Year Plan.

(d) About Rs. 50-55 crores are likely to be available for rural water supply schemes under the various programmes in the Third Five Year Plan.

### परिवहन चालकों को ऋण की सुविधायें

\*४५८. { श्री भक्त बर्षान :  
श्री राम कृष्ण गुप्त :

क्या परिवहन तथा संचार मंत्री १९ दिसम्बर, १९६० के तारांकित प्रश्न संख्या ९९३ के उत्तर के सम्बन्ध में यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि परिवहन चालकों को ऋण सम्बन्धी सुविधायें प्रदान करने की योजना के बारे में क्या निर्णय किया गया है और उस में क्या प्रगति हुई है ?

परिवहन तथा संचार मंत्रालय में राज्य-मंत्री (श्री राज बहादुर) : नवम्बर, १९६० में हुई प्रदेश परिवहन कमिश्नरों एवं कंट्रोलरों के सम्मेलन की सिफारिशों के अनुसार गैर-सरकारी क्षेत्र के परिवहन चालकों को ऋण की सुविधा देने के लिये एक प्रदेश परिवहन वित्त निगम ब इसी प्रकार की किसी एक संस्था की स्थापना के लिए एक योजना बनाई जा रही है। परन्तु इसे अन्तिम रूप देने में अभी कुछ समय लगेगा। इस बीच स्वयम् प्रदेश सरकारें इन चालकों को आर्थिक सहायता देने के तरीकों के प्रश्न पर विचार कर रही हैं।

### Purchase of Ships from Poland

\*459. { Shri Ram Krishan Gupta:  
Shri Rameshwar Tantia:  
Shri Pangarkar:  
Shri D. C. Sharma:

Will the Minister of Transport and Communications be pleased to refer to the reply given to Starred Question No. 377 on the 23rd November, 1960 and state the nature of decision taken for the purchase of some ships from Poland?

The Minister of State in the Ministry of Transport and Communications (Shri Raj Bahadur): The Indian Shipping Companies have not yet taken any decision regarding the purchase of ships from Poland.

### Commercial Marketing Obligations

\*460. Shri Vidya Charan Shukla:

Will the Minister of Food and Agriculture be pleased to refer to the reply given to Starred Question No. 425 on the 16th August, 1960 and state the outcome of discussions for reducing the commercial marketing obligations Government of India had with the Governments of U.S.A., Australia and Canada?

The Deputy Minister of Food and Agriculture (Shri A. M. Thomas): This matter will come up for reconsideration at the time of annual review in June, 1961.

### Shipping of Foodgrains from U.S.A.

\*461. { Shri Kodyan:  
Shri Raghunath Singh:  
Shri Rameshwar Tantia:  
Shri Pangarkar:  
Shri B. C. Mullick:  
Shri Hem Barua:  
Shri Damani:

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

(a) whether it is a fact that Government are considering a proposal for acquisition of ships from private parties to transport foodgrains from the United States under the Indo-U.S. food deal; and