

(b) if so, the reasons for this increase?

**The Deputy Minister of Railways (Shri Shah Nawas Khan):** (a) Yes Sir

(b) The distance for charge on this section has been inflated by 100% as the construction of the line was financially justified only with such an inflation.

#### Tube-Wells

**\*309. Shri Shree Narayan Das:** Will the Minister of Food and Agriculture be pleased to lay a statement showing:

(a) the number of tube-wells constructed so far since 1950 for irrigational purposes in different States; and

(b) the number of such tube-wells in different States which have been sanctioned during the same period but not completely constructed?

**The Minister of Food and Agriculture (Shri A. P. Jain):** (a) and (b). A statement is placed on the Table of Lok Sabha. [See Appendix II, annexure No. 34.]

#### Project Engineers

**\*310. Shri L. N. Mishra:** Will the Minister of Irrigation and Power be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that there has been a general complaint in the past that engineers engaged in one project drift to another project resulting in dislocation of work; and

(b) if so, steps taken to rectify the complaint?

**The Minister of Irrigation and Power (Shri S. K. Patil):** (a) Complaints were received from the Damodar Valley Corporation.

(b) Instructions were issued to the State Governments and other Government undertakings that no applications for appointment should be entertained without a clearance certificate from the existing employers.

#### Medicinal Herbs

**\*311. Shri D. C. Sharma:** Will the Minister of Food and Agriculture be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Forest Research Institute, Dehra Dun, has made any survey of the Himachal Pradesh and Kangra Hills for medicinal herbs; and

(b) if so, the results thereof?

**The Minister of Food and Agriculture (Shri A. P. Jain):** (a) The Forest Research Institute has not carried out any survey of Himachal Pradesh but samples of Artemisia and Ephedra found in that region have been collected for analysis. A survey of Lahoul Valley of Kangra District was carried out in 1950 in connection with Santonin-yielding Artemisia.

(b) A statement is laid on the Table of Lok Sabha. [See Appendix II, annexure No. 35.]

#### गंगा का पुल

**\*३१२. श्री रघुनथ सिंह :** क्या रेलवे मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) मोकामा पर गंगा के पुल के बनाने के काम में अब तक कितनी प्रगति हुई है, और

(ख) यह पुल कब तक बन कर तैयार हो जायेगा ?

**रेलवे उपमंत्री (श्री डा हनुवन्त ला) :**  
(क) कुल मिलाकर ५३.५ फीसदी काम हो चुका है। सभा पटल पर एक बयान रखा गया है जिसमें काम की प्रगति की तफसील दी गई है। [बेसिधे परिशिष्ट २, अनुबन्ध संख्या ३६]

(ख) दिसम्बर, १९५६ के अन्त तक पूरा होने की प्राप्ता है।

#### Medical Colleges in the States

**\*313. Pandit M. B. Bhargava:** Will the Minister of Health be pleased to lay a statement showing:

(a) the number of places where medical colleges in the various States are existing at present;