The Minister of State in the Ministry of Transport and Communications (Shri Raj Bahadur): A statement is placed on the Table of Lok Sabha. [See Appendix II, annexure No. 41.]

काइमोर में विमान सेवा

*३२४. श्री रधुन श्र सिंह: क्या परि-श्रहन तथा संचार मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेगे कि क्या सरकार का व्यान काश्मीर के प्रातन मंती, बस्बी ुल म मुहुब्मद के उस भाषण की श्रोर गया है जिसमें उन्होंने कहा था कि काश्मीर में विमान सेवा की व्यवस्था ठीक नहीं है श्रीर भारत गरकार को जश्मू तथा श्रीनगर के हवाई श्रद्धों को श्रपने श्रीकार में ले लेना यहिये ?

परिवहन तथा संवार मंत्रालय में राज्य संत्री (क्रों हुमायं कवं.र): कावसीर में इण्डियन एयरलाइन्स कारपोरेशन के नये टरमीनल के उद्घाटन के समय काव्मीर के प्रधान मंत्री ने जो भाषण दिया था वह अखबार में निकला था। इस रिपोर्ट के सिवाय काई सरकारी विवरण भ्रभी तक केन्द्रीय सरकार को नहीं मिला। जम्मू भौर कावमीर के हवाई-श्रड्ड पहिले से ही भारत सरकार के भ्रधिकार में हैं।

Darjeeling Himalayan Railway

Shrimati Ila Palchoudhury:
Shri T. Manaen:
Shri Muhammed Elias:
Shri H. N. Mukerjee:
Shri Prabhat Kar:

Will the Minister of Railways be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it is a fact that closure of the Darjeeling Himalayan Railway, a branch of the North Eastern Railway, is under consideration of the Railway Board;
 - (b) if so, the reasons therefor; and

(c) when a definite decision is likely to be reached?

The Deputy Minister of Railways (Shri Shahnawas Khan): (a) and (b). Recently the West Bengal Government took up this matter for examination in relation to the quantum of road and rail traffic in that area and consulted the Railway Board in this connection.

(c) This does not arise as yet.

Land Mortgage Banks

170. Shri A. C. Guha: Will the Minister of Food and Agriculture be pleased to lay a statement showing:

- (a) the total number of Primary and Central Land Mortgage Banks as in 1950, 1954, 1955 and 1956;
- (b) the amount disbursed as longterm loans to agriculturists every year from 1949 to 1956 or upto the last available year and the interest charged; and
- (c) the target, if any, fixed by the Government or the Planning Commission with regard to parts (a) and (b)?

The Minister of Food and Agriculture (Shri A. P. Jain): The required information is laid on the Table of Lok Sabha. [See Appendix II, annexure No. 42.]

Agricultural College in Rajasthan

171. Shri Karni Singhji: Will the Minister of Food and Agriculture be pleased to refer to the reply given to unstarred question No. 159 on the 10th March, 1955 and state:

- (a) the decision arrived at on the proposal of the Rajasthan Government for financial aid for the opening of an Agricultural College in the North West Rajasthan; and
- (b) in case proposal has been found feasible, the aid proposed to be given or already sanctioned for the same and the time by which the College is likely to be started and where?