

officers to secure supplies of steel and other materials for Railways;

(b) if so, the names of the countries this team is visiting or will visit; and

(c) the approximate expenditure to be incurred on this team?

The Deputy Minister of Railways (Shri Shahnawaz Khan): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) United Kingdom and other European countries, and possibly Japan and Canada.

(c) Rs. 81,000 approximately.

Shifting of Khalilabad Sugar Factory

*518. { Shri Sinhasan Singh:
Shri Bishwa Nath Roy:

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

(a) whether the Khalilabad Sugar Mill in District Basti has sought the permission and also aid of Government to shift the said factory to some other place;

(b) if so, whether the necessary permission and aid, if any, have been granted;

(c) whether Government have consulted the Sugar Cane growers about the proposed shifting and have considered their side of the case;

(d) to what extent this shifting would affect the sugar-cane cultivation in that part of the District which was supplying sugar-cane to this factory; and

(e) whether Government have taken any step to help the Sugar-cane growers to grow more and better type of sugar-cane?

The Deputy Minister of Food and Agriculture (Shri A. M. Thomas): (a) to (e). A statement giving the required information is laid on the Table of the Sabha. [See Appendix III, annexure No. 36.]

Distribution of Imported Wheat

*519. **Shri Yajnik:** Will the Minister of Food and Agriculture be pleased to state:

(a) whether the attention of the Minister has been drawn to the tele-

graphic representation made to him by the Roller Flour Millers Federation of India to the "catastrophic crisis" likely to be created in the country and specially in Ahmedabad, by his order restricting the issue of imported wheat to big cities like New Delhi, Bombay, Calcutta and Madras; and

(b) if so, the action taken thereon?

The Deputy Minister of Food and Agriculture (Shri A. M. Thomas): (a) and (b). No such telegram was received from the Roller Flour Millers Federation of India. A telegram protesting against stoppage of supply of imported wheat was, however, received from 3 flour mills of Baroda and Ahmedabad.

The mills are free to purchase indigenous wheat from any part of the country and with the arrival of the new crop wheat in the market no hardship should be experienced by them.

Railway Corruption Enquiry Committee

*520. { Shri D. C. Sharma:
Shri Liladhar Kataki:

Will the Minister of Railways be pleased to refer to the reply given to Unstarred Question No. 4 on the 20th March, 1957 and state whether the remaining recommendations of the Railway Corruption Enquiry Committee have since been implemented?

The Deputy Minister of Railways (Shri Shahnawaz Khan): These are still under consideration.

Telephone Exchange for Kosi Project

*521. **Shri L. N. Mishra:** Will the Minister of Transport and Communications be pleased to state whether there is a proposal for providing a Telephone Exchange at Birpur, the headquarter of Kosi Project?

The Minister of State in the Ministry of Transport and Communications (Shri Raj Bahadur): Yes, for the Kosi Project Administration.