काक तथा कृषि मंत्री (भी घ० घ० चैन): (क) से (क). सभा की टेबिल पर एक निवरण रक्त दिया गया है। [देखिने परिकारक है, सनुबन्ध संख्या ११२]

Ferry Crafts

*738. Shri Amjad Ali: Will the Minister of Transport and Communications be pleased to refer to the reply given to Starred Question No 264 on the 25th July, 1956 and state:

- (a) whether the two ferry crafts for crossing Brahmaputra at Jogighopa— Pancharatna (Assam) have been purchased; and
- (b) if so, when they will be put into operation?

The Minister of State in the Ministry of Transport and Communications (Shri Raj Bahadur): (a) and (b). Not yet. Tenders for the craft are under scrutiny. It is hoped that necessary orders will be placed by the Directorate General of Supplies and Disposals by the end of June 1957.

Co-operative Rice Mills

*739. Shri Sanganna: Will the Minister of Food and Agriculture be pleased to state:

- (a) whether any licences have been issued to the Co-operative Societies or to individual concerns for the installation of rice mills in each State after the Karve Report on the Cottage and Small-Scale Industries was made; and
- (b) if so, the name of these States and the number of licences for each category in each State?

The Minister of Food and Agriculture (Shri A. P. Jain): (a) and (b). As the issue of licences is the concern of the State Governments, the Government of India have no information in this regard.

Visagapainam-Hyderabad Passenger Train

*740. Shri B. S. Murthy: Will the Minister of Railways be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it is proposed to run a fast passenger train from Vizagapatnam to Hyderabad and vice-versa;
 and
- (b) if so, the date from which it will operate?

The Deputy Minister of Railways (Shri Shahnawaz Khan): (a) No.

(b) Does not arise.

Vanaspati

*741. Shri Radha Mohan Singh: Will the Minister of Food and Agriculture be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Directorate of Sugar and Vanaspati exercises any check or control over the quality of vanaspati produced in the country; and
- (b) if so, in what way and what is the result, if any, of the examination of the samples of different manufacturers in the year 1956-57?

The Minister of Food and Agriculture (Shri A. P. Jain): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) A statement giving the required information is laid on the Table of Lok Sabha. [See Appendix III, annexure No. 113]

By-passes around towns between Delhi and Agra

*742. Shri Mahendra Pratap: Will the Minister of Transport and Communications be pleased to state whether it is a fact that by-passes are being built around towns between Delhi and Agra and that lands of peasants are being taken for the purpose?

The Minister of State in the Ministry of Transport and Communications