

**Shrimati Jayashri:** May I know whether any action is taken against any person for breaking this Act after it has come into force?

**Rajkumari Amrit Kaur:** Not Yet.

**CORRUPTION AMONGST RAILWAY EMPLOYEES**

\*1542. **Shri Brajeshwar Prasad:** Will the Minister of Railways be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Government had set up an Enquiry Committee to investigate into the conduct of certain officials of the Ex-Saurashtra Railways;

(b) if so, whether the committee has submitted its report; and

(c) whether Government propose to lay a copy of the Report on the Table of the House?

**The Deputy Minister of Railways and Transport (Shri Alagesan):** (a) and (b). Yes.

(c) No, it is not the practice to place copies of such Reports on the Table of the House.

**Shri Brajeshwar Prasad:** May I know whether there was any charge of misappropriation of money against these officers?

**Shri Alagesan:** Yes, Sir.

**Shri Brajeshwar Prasad:** What are the amounts involved?

**Shri Alagesan:** Roughly between Rs. 13-14 lakhs.

**Shri B. S. Murthy:** May I know whether any interim report has been submitted by this Committee?

**Shri Alagesan:** The final report has been submitted; that is my reply; it was submitted in July.

**Shri T. B. Vittal Rao:** May I know.....

**Mr. Speaker:** We will go to the next question.

**EXTENSION TRAINING CENTRES**

\*1543. **Shri D. C. Sharma:** Will the Minister of Food and Agriculture be pleased to state:

(a) the number of Pilot Development Projects, Extension Wings and Extension Training Centres that have been opened upto date with the Ford Foundation gift in the Punjab; and

(b) the amount spent on them so far?

**The Minister of Agriculture (Dr. P. S. Deshmukh):** (a) Two Extension Training Centres have been started in Punjab with partial financial assistance from the Ford Foundation. An Extension Wing for the Punjab Agricultural College, Ludhiana has been sanctioned but it has not yet started functioning. No Pilot Development Project was sanctioned for Punjab.

(b) An expenditure of about Rs. 5,43,900 was incurred on the two Extension Training Centres upto the 31st March, 1954.

**Shri D. C. Sharma:** How many such Centres have been established in the different States of India?

**Dr. P. S. Deshmukh:** Thirty-four Extension Training Centres in the whole of India.

**Shri D. C. Sharma:** May I know how much money has been allocated to the Punjab Agricultural College, Ludhiana and if any other scheme for grant has been submitted to the Ministry for the opening of another college in Punjab?

**Dr. P. S. Deshmukh:** This is done on the same scale as in the case of other colleges. I have not got the exact amount that will be spent, but it is likely to be in the neighbourhood of three quarters of a lakh of rupees from the Ford Foundation and about a lakh and a half of rupees from the Punjab Government.

**Shrimati Sushama Sen:** May I know if such Pilot Development Projects,