

**Shri K. C. Sodhia:** I am referring to the recurring expenditure.

**Dr. P. S. Deshmukh:** There is a scheme according to which these farms are being worked and it is true that in the case of certain years our calculations have gone rather wrong. But, we hope, ultimately, to make good in certain respects.

**Shri K. C. Sodhia:** In all the country, the produce in these two years has been very good. What are the special reasons that obtain in these farms for this low yield?

**The Minister of Food and Agriculture (Shri A. P. Jain):** It is to be remembered that these are trial farms. At any rate the Jammu farm is an experimental farm. They have recently started. None the less, I may inform the House that I have recently visited the Sultanpur farm. I am not satisfied with its working and I am undertaking a complete overhaul of the system working there so that though it may not be made profitable at least the loss should be as less as possible.

**Shri Velayudhan:** May I know whether it is not the experience of the last four years that these mechanised farms are very huge losses from the point of view of recurring expenditure?

**Shri A. P. Jain:** There have been losses and that is one reason why we proposed to overhaul them.

#### ELECTRIFICATION OF SUBURBAN RAILWAY LINES

\*878. **Shri Sarangadhar Das:** Will the Minister of Railways be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have any proposal to electrify the suburban railway lines in areas other than Bombay, Calcutta and Madras;

(b) if so, the names of the areas; and

(c) when the project is likely to start?

**The Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister of Railways and Transport (Shri Shah Nawaz Khan):** (a) No, Sir.

(b) and (c). Do not arise.

**Shri Sarangadhar Das:** May I know if it is a fact that the Member, Transportation, of the Railway Board in a Press Conference explained that the Calcutta Suburban Electrification Scheme would be finished by about the middle of 1957?

**Mr. Speaker:** Perhaps, the reply is not understood by the hon. Member. The work is already going on.

**Shri Sarangadhar Das:** I want to know whether it will be finished by the middle of 1957.

**The Deputy Minister of Railways and Transport (Shri Alagesan):** Some indication was given even in the Budget, if remember right, that it might be possible to finish it round about the end of 1957 or so.

**Shri Sarangadhar Das:** May I know whether the other schemes near about Calcutta, Dum Dum, Kidderpore, Docks Budge Budge, Ranaghat stations will be taken up?

**Shri Shah Nawaz Khan:** The scheme in hand is from Howrah to Burdwan. As soon as it is over, the other schemes mentioned by the hon. Member will be taken up. They are also in the programme.

**Shri S. C. Samanta:** May I know whether over and above the big schemes of Bombay, Calcutta and Madras, Government is also taking up small schemes such as the electrification of individual stations with individual installations?

**Shri Alagesan:** It is a programme of the electrification of stations and that comes under passenger amenities. We are going ahead with the programme of electrification of stations. But, these are programmes which relate to the electrification of lines.