(c) the Central Government's share in the Project, and

(d) the main features of the scheme?

The Minister of Health (Rajkumari Amrit Kaur): (a) and (b). Out of the loan of Rs. 100 lakhs sanctioned by the Government of India for the Urban Water Supply and Drainage Schemes of the Andhra State, a sum of Rs. 25 lakhs has been allocated for the improvement of water supply at Visakhapatnam.

(c) Nil.

(d) The main features of the scheme are the construction of additional headworks and storage reservoirs as also improvements in the distribution system

DEFERTILISATION OF EGGS

***890. Th. Jugal Kishore Sinha:** Will the Minister of Food and Agriculture be pleased to refer to the reply given to Starred Question No. 704 on the 10th September, 1954 and state:

(a) the progress made so far in the experimental scheme for determining the utility of defertilisation and improved packing of eggs;

(b) whether any definite results have been arrived at from the data available so far; and

(c) whether there is any proposal to implement the scheme on a large scale?

The Minister of Food and Agriculture (Shri A. P. Jain): (a) The experiment has been completed.

(b) Yes.

(c) In view of the positive results achieved the State Governments are expected to take up defertilisation of eggs and their improved packing as a regular feature of their activities preferably in cooperation with the local trade interests

MEDICAL PERSONNEL

*893. Shr! S. K. Rasmi: Will the Minister of Health be pleased to state

¹² whether any proposal to extend the retiring age limit of medical personnel is under the consideration of Government?

The Minister of Health (Rajkumari Amrit Kaur): The answer is in the affirmative.

BELLARY-GADAG LOCAL TRAINS

*896. Shri Sivamurthi Swami; Will the Minister of **Railways** be pleased to state:

(a) whether any representation has been received from the Kopbal and Gadag Merchants for the running of an additional local train from Bellary to Gadag; and

(b) if so, the action taken thereon?

The Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister of Railways and Transport (Shri Shahnawaz Khan): (a) Yes, for the introduction of an additional train on the Hubli-Bellary section.

(b) The need for an additional train is recognised, but it is not feasible to introduce it at present due to paucity of coaching stock and locomotives.

PASSENGER AMENITIES

*898. Shri V. Missir: Will the Minister of Railways be pleased to state:

(a) whether any scheme of social education on the Indian Railways is under the consideration of the Railway Board;

(b) if so, the main features of the scheme; and

(c) the object of such a scheme?

The Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister of Railways and Transport (Shri Shahnawaz Khan): (a) Yes Sir,

(b) and (c). The object of the scheme is to encourage the public to become more civic minded, the blas always being with regard to their behaviour in the railway premises and in railway trains and with regard to the proper use of railway premises and railway carriages.