

and pulses. For cereals and pulses, a target of 10 million tons of additional production over 1955-56 has been tentatively fixed.

#### Saurashtra Railway Corruption Case

\*533. **Shri T. B. Vittal Rao** : Will the Minister of Railways be pleased to refer to the reply given to Starred Question No. 116 on the 26th July, 1955 and state the stage at which the disciplinary action initiated against the four gazetted officers of the ex-Saurashtra Railways for misappropriation of Rs. 13 lakhs stands ?

**The Deputy Minister of Railways and Transport (Shri Alagesan)** : The replies to the final 'show cause' notices served on the officers have been received and are under examination.

#### Catering on Railways

\*534. **Shri Dabhi** : Will the Minister of Railways be pleased to refer to the reply given to Starred Question No. 1068 on the 24th August, 1955 and state :

(a) whether Government have since standardised the rates for meals served in Restaurants and in Dining and Buffet Cars on the Railways ; and

(b) if so, what are those rates ?

**The Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister of Railways and Transport (Shri Shah Nawaz Khan)** : (a) and (b). The matter is still under consideration.

#### Water Supply and Drainage Schemes in Punjab

\*535. **Shri D. C. Sharma** : Will the Minister of Health be pleased to state :

(a) whether the Punjab Government have submitted any schemes for water supply and drainage in Municipal and Rural areas to be included in the Second Five Year Plan ;

(b) if so, the nature of the schemes ; and

(c) the estimated cost thereof ?

**The Minister of Health (Rajkumari Amrit Kaur)** : (a) The inclusion of certain schemes for water supply and drainage in municipal and rural areas in the Second Five Year Plan of the State has been proposed by the State Government. Actual schemes with engineering data have not been submitted so far.

(b) and (c). A statement showing the nature of the schemes and the estimated cost of each is laid on the Table of the Lok Sabha [See Appendix III, annexure No. 60].

#### World Health Organisation

\*536. **Shrimati Maydeo** : Will the Minister of Health be pleased to lay a statement on the Table of the Houses showing :

(a) the extent of assistance rendered by the World Health Organisation to India in 1953, 1954 and 1955 so far ; and

(b) the value of assistance given by way of sending international experts during the above period ?

**The Minister of Health (Rajkumari Amrit Kaur)** : (a) A statement is laid on the Table of the Lok Sabha [See Appendix III, annexure No. 61].

(b) The actual value of assistance on the international experts only is not available for each of these years, but it is usually 80 to 85 per cent of the total allocation for each year.

#### Granaries

\*537. **Sardar Hukam Singh** : Will the Minister of Food and Agriculture be pleased to state :

(a) whether Government have decided to erect two modern granaries ;

(b) if so, whether orders have been placed for necessary equipment and machinery required for these ; and

(c) when and where they are expected to be installed ?

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

(c) The two Elevators with a capacity of 10 thousand tons each will be erected at Hapur and Ludhiana. Complete shipment of all the parts is expected early 1956. Actual work of installation of the Elevators will then be taken up.

#### P. & T. Employees

264. **Shri H. N. Mukerjee** : Will the Minister of Communications be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that the Director General, Posts and Telegraphs has issued a circular banning unconfirmed employees from pursuing studies privately for improving their prospects ; and

(b) whether any action is contemplated in response to representation from employees in this regard ?