

(b) if so, the total amount spent so far in this regard; and

(c) whether post-graduate training in Orthopaedic Surgery has been started there?

The Minister of Health (Rajkumari Amrit Kaur): (a) They have not yet been completed but the work is well in hand.

(b) Up to 31-12-1955 the expenditure was Rs. 28.43 lakhs.

(c) The training will be started in April, 1956.

INDIAN RAILWAY EMPLOYEES IN GOA

***516. Shri Gidwani:** Will the Minister of Railways be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that a number of Railway employees in Goa who had opted to serve on the Southern Railway in India have been arrested by the Portuguese Government; and

(b) if so, what action has been taken by Government in the matter?

The Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister of Railways and Transport (Shri Shahnawaz Khan): (a) It is a fact that 14 employees of the Southern Railway, including both Goan and Indian nationals who had volunteered to serve elsewhere on the Southern Railway on the termination of the Southern Railways contract for working the West of India Portuguese Railway on 31-12-1955 afternoon, were detained by the Portuguese police for a few days and released.

(b) The Administrative Officer and Joint Representative of the Southern Railway (then stationed in Goa) immediately addressed the Portuguese officials formally and followed this up by a personal interview with the Governor General in Goa on 26th December, 1955. The following day all the Indian nationals who had been detained were released from detention.

AUTOMATIZATION SCHEME

***517. Shri D. C. Sharma:** Will the

Minister of Communications be pleased to state:

(a) the extent to which automatization scheme has progressed in Calcutta; and

(b) in what other cities it is going to be adopted?

The Minister in the Ministry of Communications (Shri Raj Bahadur): (a) Out of the proposed installation of 55,000 lines in 15 new exchanges a total of 34,600 lines in 7 exchanges has been installed.

(b) Automatization of the following manual exchanges has been approved:

(1) Lucknow, (2) Patna, (3) Agra, (4) Banaras, (5) Jaipur, (6) Coimbatore (7) Kozhikode, (8) Madurai, (9) Trichy and (10) Jullundur.

JAUNDICE EPIDEMIC

***518.** { **Shri S. C. Samanta:**
Shri Sivamurthi Swami:
Th. Lakshman Singh
Charak:

Will the Minister of Health be pleased to state:

(a) the quantities of U. S. gift of Gamma Globulin received by Government to use as prophylactic inoculation against Virus Hepatitis (Jaundice) epidemic in Delhi.

(b) the extent to which this medicine has been successful;

(c) whether there are other purposes for which this drug can be used; and

(d) whether this medicine has been available in the Indian market before?

The Minister of Health (Rajkumari Amrit Kaur): (a) Five lakh c.c.s.

(b) It is too early to give an opinion in this regard at present.

(c) It can also be used as a prophylactic against measles and poliomyelitis.

(d) No.

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