

**Mr. Speaker:** The hon. Member wants to know whether the measures taken have been evaluated in terms of rupees, annas and pies.

**Dr. P. S. Deshmukh:** We know that these are very successful schemes and these are the only alternatives to build up better breeds, the scheme that has been propounded by the Planning Commission during the First Five Year Plan.

**Shri V. P. Nayar:** I was particularly referring to the improvement in the breed of cattle. Could the Government tell us, whether, consequent on the works done, the average yield per milch cattle during the period of lactation has improved and, if so, by how many pounds?

**Dr. P. S. Deshmukh:** We have not actually calculated these figures. But all these things are intended, and are expected to increase the average yield of milk.

#### INDIAN AIRLINES CORPORATION

\*1474. **Shri V. P. Nayar:** Will the Minister of Communications be pleased to state:

(a) whether any Engineers of the Indian Airlines Corporation have been recently trained in foreign countries for working on the Skymasters; and

(b) if so, whether they would impart their special knowledge to other employees?

**The Minister in the Ministry of Communications (Shri Raj Bahadur):**

(a) Yes, Sir.

(b) Yes, Sir.

**Shri V. P. Nayar:** Could I know the amount spent on the training of engineers in foreign countries to work on Skymasters?

**Shri Raj Bahadur:** I am sorry I cannot give the exact amount.

**Shri V. P. Nayar:** May I know whether the Government have any scheme

by which as many persons as are required to man the Skymasters in future will be trained in India by those who have already got trained in other countries at Government expense?

**Shri Raj Bahadur:** That is our purpose. We sent ten engineers to Scandinavian Airlines System, Copenhagen and Royal Dutch Airlines, Amsterdam for training. They have come after being trained on maintenance and engineering of the Skymasters. They will be used to train others. Even now a system has been evolved by which in their off-time they are being made to give instructions to certain engineers on the maintenance and engineering of Skymasters.

**Shri G. S. Singh:** May I know whether it is a fact that certain personnel sent to Amsterdam for training had to return because of the non-availability of Skymasters in Amsterdam?

**Shri Raj Bahadur:** I am not aware of that.

**Shri V. P. Nayar:** May I know how many engineers are now being trained and at what centres, by those who have received training in other countries?

**Shri Raj Bahadur:** As a matter of fact, no regular classes as such are held to train the engineers, except that instructions are being given on three items, namely Skymaster aircraft and engine maintenance, electrical system and accessories, and general principles and functioning of the instruments.

**Shri V. P. Nayar:** How many?

**Shri Raj Bahadur:** I can give you the total number of staff that is there.

**Sardar Iqbal Singh:** In view of the fact that the Air India International is purchasing Convairs and Viscounts, may I know whether any engineers have been sent for being trained in the maintenance of these aircrafts?

**Shri Raj Bahadur:** The Air India International is not purchasing Convoys and Viscounts.

**Shri Jaipal Singh:** The hon. Minister said that the training of engineers were distributed between Amsterdam and Copenhagen. May I know what is the reason for sending them for training to these two centres only?

**Shri Raj Bahadur:** It is a question of accommodation and convenience as, when and where we find it.

SUBORDINATE STAFF OF P. & T.  
DEPARTMENT

\*1475. **Shri Ramananda Das:** Will the Minister of Communications be pleased to state:

(a) whether officials qualified in Cost Accounting suitable for the above purpose are working in the P. & T. Department;

(b) whether some of them are working as clerks and sorters, without being utilised by the Department, of their specialised knowledge; and

(c) if so, their number?

**The Minister in the Ministry of Communications (Shri Raj Bahadur):**

(a) There are a few officials in the Department who have qualified themselves, on their own, in Cost Accountancy.

(b) Yes.

(c) So far as information is available, there are six such officials.

**Shri Ramananda Das:** May I know whether there is any shortage of Cost Accountants in the P. & T. Department?

**Shri Raj Bahadur:** There is a shortage in some sections.

**Shri Ramananda Das:** May I know what steps the Government are taking to utilise the services of officials qualified in Cost Accounting who are working in other posts?

**Shri Raj Bahadur:** We have tried to utilise them, but so far as the particular posts are concerned, mere qualification in Accountancy does not entitle them to hold the posts. They have to pass a departmental examination. Unless they pass that examination, they are not eligible for appointment as such.

**Shri S. C. Samanta:** May I know whether there is any arrangement for training persons in Cost Accounting in the Posts and Telegraphs Department, or have they to borrow personnel from other departments when the accounting is undertaken?

**Shri Raj Bahadur:** There is no arrangement for training our personnel in Accountancy etc. This is a specialised subject and we do not cater for training in that.

RAILWAY COMPOUNDERS

\*1478. **Mulla Abdullahai:** Will the Minister of Railways be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Railway Board has received any representation from the Railway Compounders through their organisation i.e. the All India Pharmacists' Union;

(b) if so, when; and

(c) the steps that have been taken and decision taken, if any?

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

(b) In November, 1955.

(c) The Union is not recognised and hence no action was taken.

**Mulla Abdullahai:** Is it a fact that there is a same scale of pay for untrained and unqualified compounders as also for trained and qualified compounders?

**Shri Alagesan:** In some cases, Sir, it happens that compounders with the minimum educational qualification, namely matriculation, have been