October, 1956 regarding controlling T.B. on all India basis and providing expensive antibiotics free of charge to T. B. patients belonging to low income group; and

(b) if so, what is their decision?

The Minister of Health (Rajkumari Amrit Kaur) : (a) No; the resolution in question has not been received by the Government of India. But Tuberculosis Control Schemes have been taken up on an All India basis and provision has been made for them in the 2nd Five Year Plan.

(b) Does not arise.

Diversion of Madras-Calcutta Mail via Kakinada

*893. Shri Mohana Rao : Will the Minister of Railways be pleased to refer to the reply given to Unstarred Question No. 788 on the 21st December, 1955, and state whether the diversion of Madras-Calcutta Mail through Kakinada city has since been decided?

The Deputy Minister of Railways and Transport (Shri Alagesan) : Apparently the hon. Member is referring to the diversion of the Madras-Calcutta main line via Kakinada. No decision has yet been taken in the matter.

Community Development Schemes

*894. Shri Gadilingana Gowd : Will the Minister of Community Development be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the Union Government is considering the question of setting up a proper organisation in every State to avail of the funds and facilities offered by the Centre for the effective implementation of the Community Development Schemes; and

(b) if so, when it will be set up?

The Deputy Minister of Irrigation and Power (Shri Hathi) : (a) and (b). The existing set-up in the States is adequate and no separate organisation is contemplated.

Survey of Punjab Rivers

*897. { Sardar Iqbal Singh : Sardar Akarpuri :

Will the Minister of Transport be pleased to state whether any survey has been made of the rivers Beas, Sutlej and Jamna to solve the problem of their navigability and silting?

The Deputy Minister of Railways and Transport (Shri Shahnawaz Khan): A survey of the Jumna river from Agra to Allahabad has been conducted by the Central Water and Power Commission to assess its navigability. No such survey

has been carried out on the Beas and the Sutlej rivers. As regards the problem of silting, the Punjab Irrigation and Power Research Institute have been carrying out regular annual surveys on the Jumna.

The position regarding silt investigation on the Beas and Sutlej is being ascertained from the State Government.

Soil Erosion

*898. Shri Sanganna : Will the Minister of Food and Agriculture be pleased to refer to the reply given to Starred Question No. 1546 on the 30th August, 1956 regarding soil erosion schemes in Hirakud and Machkund and state :

(a) whether any report on the progress of the work has been received by Government ; and

(b) if so, the details thereof ?

The Minister of Food and Agriculture (Shri A. P. Jain) : (a) No progress report has been received.

(b) Does not arise.

Dairy Development Scheme in Bihar

*899. Shri M. Islamuddin : Will the Minister of Food and Agriculture be pleased to refer to the reply given to Starred Question No. 1422 on the 25th August, 1956 in regard to the Dairy Development Scheme of Bihar and state :

(a) whether the locations of the following schemes in Bihar have been decided :

(i) three co-operative milk unions,

(ii) two creameries, and

(iii) one milk-powder factory ; and

(b) whether any progress has been made in the execution of these schemes ?

The Minister of Food and Agriculture (Shri A. P. Jain) : (a) Final decision has so far been taken only in respect of one co-operative milk union which will be set up at Gaya.

(b) A milk supply scheme for Gaya has been received from Bihar Govt. and is under consideration. Surveys around Jamshedpur and Dhanbad, which are in view for the other two co-operative milk unions, are being taken up. Khagaria area has been surveyed for one of the rural creameries and surveys of Darbhanga and Saharsa areas are in progress for locating a milk products factory.

National Filaria Control Programme

*900. Shri Amjad Ali : Will the Minister of Health be pleased to state whether the State of Assam was offered the