

(b) if so, when this will be completed; and

(c) when the casting of steel will start in this establishment?

The Deputy Minister in the Ministry of Railways (Shri S. V. Ramaswamy): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) and (c). The foundry is expected to go into production by the end of 1963 and attain full production capacity by 1966.

Allotment of Additional Wagons to Andhra Pradesh

***688. Shri A. K. Gopalan:** Will the Minister of Railways be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Andhra Pradesh Rice Millers Association has requested the Railway authorities for increased allotment of wagons for moving rice and mangoes during the current season beginning 1st May; and

(b) whether Government have made any extra allotment?

The Deputy Minister in the Ministry of Railways (Shri Shahnawaz Khan): (a) Yes, only for the movement of rice.

(b) Wagons are allotted for the movement of rice and mangoes to meet the requirements of the trade to the maximum extent possible.

In addition to the normal arrangements, a weekly Parcel Express has been introduced between Madras and Delhi from 1st April, 1962 to clear perishable traffic including mangoes.

Participation in F.A.O. Scheme to build Food Reserves

***689. Shri Shree Narayan Das:** Will the Minister of Food and Agriculture be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government of India have agreed to participate in the scheme sponsored by the F. A. O. to build food reserves to meet emergency need of deficit countries and to

assist in pre-school and school feeding as also to implement pilot projects using food as an aid to economic and social development;

(b) if so, the nature of such participation; and

(c) the progress made towards implementation of the scheme?

The Minister of Food and Agriculture (Shri S. K. Patil): (a) As the scheme is still in the process of formulation, no invitation has been extended to the Government of India for participation.

(b) and (c). Do not arise.

Home treatment for T. B. Patients

***690. Shri Maheshwar Naik:** Will the Minister of Health be pleased to state:

(a) whether the scheme for 'Home Treatment' with free medical facilities for T. B. patients is proposed to be extended;

(b) the areas which have so far been brought under the scope of this scheme; and

(c) the other areas which are now proposed to be brought under the scheme?

The Minister of Health (Dr. Sushila Nayar): (a) Yes.

(b) and (c). Statements I and II giving the required information are attached. [See Appendix II, annexures Nos. 21 and 22].

Power Breakdown in Delhi

***691.** { Shri D. C. Sharma:
Shri Shree Narayan Das:
Shri Mohammad Elias:

Will the Minister of Irrigation and Power be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Delhi faced the first major power breakdown of the year on the 25th April, 1962;