

(b) All the steps that are being taken and are being intensified to tackle ticketless travelling, are directed against all ticketless travellers including railway servants. Further, departmental action is taken against railway employees travelling without tickets based on the merits of each case, in addition to realisation of fares and penalty charges due as from other ticketless travellers.

#### Wheat from U.S.A.

\*339. { **Shri Bhagwat Jha Azad :**  
**Shri Velayudhan :**  
**Shri Bibhuti Mishra :**

Will the Minister of Food and Agriculture be pleased to state :

(a) by what time the first shipment of U.S. wheat under the Indo-U.S. Agreement on Imports of Surplus Agricultural Commodities is expected to arrive at an Indian port; and

(b) what would be the quantity?

The Minister of Food and Agriculture (Shri A. P. Jain) : (a) The first ship has already reached Bombay, on 9-11-56.

(b) 8,500 tons.

#### Nagarjunasagar Dam

\*343. **Shri K. S. Rao :** Will the Minister of Irrigation and Power be pleased to state :

(a) the total amount spent upto the end of October, 1956 for the construction of Nagarjunasagar Dam;

(b) whether Government propose to accelerate the pace of work; and

(c) if so, the steps proposed to be taken in this regard?

The Deputy Minister of Irrigation and Power (Shri Hathi) : (a) Rs. 1,18,75,972 on the Dam and Rs. 52,80,730 on canals.

(b) and (c). The Government are greatly interested in the speedy execution of the Project and have recently ordered the transfer of a batching plant from Hirakud to Nagarjunasagar to enable the project authorities to make an early start on the construction of the dam. The programme of work has been drawn up by the Nagarjunasagar Control Board and no special steps are at present visualised to accelerate it.

#### Planning Commission Officers' Visit to China

\*345. **Shri Velayudhan :** Will the Minister of Planning be pleased to state :

(a) whether the Planning Commission had sent their officers to China during the last summer; and

(b) what was the purpose of this visit to China?

The Deputy Minister of Planning (Shri S. N. Mishra) : (a) and (b). Two officers of the Planning Commission went to China this year as members of the delegations sponsored by the Ministry of Agriculture and the Indian Statistical Institute. The object of the delegation sponsored by the Ministry of Agriculture was to study techniques of agricultural production and of the delegation sponsored by the Indian Statistical Institute to study planning techniques in China.

#### Convention on Indigenous Systems of Medicines

\*348. { **Shri Dhulekar :**  
**Shri Shree Narayan Das :**

Will the Minister of Health be pleased to state :

(a) whether a Convention of the Representatives of the State Boards and Faculties of Ayurveda and Unani Tibia was held in Delhi in September, 1956;

(b) whether the Convention has submitted its recommendations to the Government of India;

(c) if so, what are its main features; and

(d) what recommendations have been accepted by the Government so far?

The Minister of Health (Rajkumari Amrit Kaur) : (a) Yes.

(b) Yes.

(c) A statement containing the information is laid on the Table of the Lok Sabha. [See Appendix II, annexure No. 45].

(d) The recommendations are under consideration.

#### फल और शाक विकास बोर्ड

\*३४९. श्री भक्त दर्शन : क्या खाद्य और कृषि मंत्री ७ अगस्त, १९५६ के तारांकित प्रश्न संख्या ७८९ के उत्तर के सम्बन्ध में यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि फल और