

those to be opened during 1962-63 in Uttar Pradesh?

The Deputy Minister in the Ministry of Food (Shri A. M. Thomas): The Central Warehousing Corporation has not opened any warehouse in Uttar Pradesh during 1961-62 but proposes to open two ware-houses during 1962-63.

Irrigation and Power Schemes in U.P.

2716. Shri Sarjoo Pandey: Will the Minister of Irrigation and Power be pleased to state:

(a) how many irrigation and power schemes of Government of U.P. are pending at present with the Central Government for sanction (giving their details in terms of money involved and benefit expected); and

(b) how many such schemes have been rejected during the last one year?

The Minister of State in the Ministry of Irrigation & Power (Shri Alagesan): (a). A statement giving the requisite information is laid on the Table of the House. [See Appendix III, annexure No. 110].

(b) No scheme has been rejected.

Passenger Sheds on N.E. Railway

2717. Shri Sarjoo Pandey: Will the Minister of Railways be pleased to state:

(a) the number of stations on the North Eastern Railway which are not provided with passenger sheds;

(b) the number of passenger sheds to be built on that Railway during the current year; and

(c) the amount sanctioned for the purpose?

The Deputy Minister in the Ministry of Railways (Shri S. V. Ramaswamy): (a) 496 stations are not provided with covering over platforms but at most of these stations there are Waiting Halls.

(b) 27 stations.

(c) Approximately Rs. 6,82,000/-.

Tobacco Cultivation in Orissa

2718. Shri Ulaka: Will the Minister of Food and Agriculture be pleased to state:

(a) the total area brought under tobacco cultivation in Orissa during 1961-62, District-wise;

(b) whether the acreage under tobacco crops in Orissa has shown any decline in comparison with total acreage in 1960-61; and

(c) if so, the reasons therefor?

The Minister of State in the Ministry of Food and Agriculture (Dr. Ram Subhag Singh): (a) About 11000 acres were brought under tobacco cultivation in Orissa during 1961-62 according to preliminary estimates. District-wise figures and final estimates are not yet available.

(b) No decline has been noticed according to the preliminary estimates.

(c). Does not arise.

National Highway No. 34

2719. Shri C. K. Bhattacharyya: Will the Minister of Transport and Communications be pleased to refer to the reply given to Unstarred Question No. 782 on the 8th May, 1962 and state:

(a) whether Government of West Bengal have recommended that high priority be given to the completion of the Gazol Raiganj part of National Highway No. 34; and

(b) if so, the grounds for not accepting the recommendation of Government of West Bengal?

The Minister of Shipping in the Ministry of Transport and Communications (Shri Raj Bahadur): (a) and (b). The Government of West Bengal recommended ten bridge works in this section of the National Highway for inclusion in the Third Five Year Plan in addition to the three bridge works already included therein. Due to paucity of funds only two out of the