Nabinagar area of Aurangabad Subdivision.

- (b) As the preparation of schemes for these areas is under consideration of the State Government at present, the question of giving any aid by the Centre in this regard does not arise at present.
- (c) Scarcity of water has been reported in Gumla, Simdega, Khunti, Pakaur, Barharwa, Chatra, Jhumritelaiya, Sheikhpura and adjoining villages, and Garhwa.

फर्स्ट क्लास के गलिहारे वाले डिब्बों में परिचालक

२७६४. श्री सरजू पांडे : क्या रेलवे मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

- (क) क्या उत्तर रेलवे फर्स्ट क्लाम के गलिहारे वाले डिब्बों में परिचारकों की नियक्ति विचाराधीन हैं ;
- (ख) यदि हां, तो उनकी नियुक्ति कब तक हो आयेगी ; ग्रीर
- (ग) इस पर कितनी धन राशि खर्च होगी ?

रेलवे मंत्रालय में उपमंत्री (श्री शाहनवाज खां) : (क) जी हां।

- (ख) दो-तीन महीनों में ।
- (ग) लगभग ५७७४ रुपये प्रति भास ।

Loading of Coal on Holidays

2766. Shri D. C. Sharma: Will the Minister of Railways be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it is a fact that loading of coal on Sundays and Holidays has been protested to by the Indian Chambers of Commerce and Industry;
- (b) if so, the reaction of Government thereto; and
- (c) the steps proposed to be taken in the matter?

The Deputy Minister in the Ministry of for Railways (Shri S. V. Rama-wamy): (a) and (b). The Federation

of Indian Chambers of Commerce and Industry in a letter addressed to the Railway Board has pointed out the difficulties in the way of loading on Sundays and Holidays. At the same time, the Federation has also pointed out that in the month of April '62, in the Bengal and Bihar Coalfields full loading has been done on Sundays and holidays, thus indirect!y accepting that the difficulties mentioned in their letter are capable of being overcome.

(c) The Coal trade and industry are being persuaded to resort to coal loading on Sundays and Holidays on the same level as on week days. Other measures to achieve the same objective are also under consideration.

मिलानी जंक्शन को फतेहगढ़ छावनी से मिलाना

२७६७. श्री प्रे० कृ० लग्ना: क्या रेलवे मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि:

- (क) क्या मिलानी जंक्शन को रेलवे लाइन द्वारा फनेहगढ़ छावनी में मिलाने का सरकार का विचार है; और
- (ख) यदि हां, तो इस बारे में क्या कार्यवाही की गई है ?

रेलवे मंत्रालय में उपमंत्री (श्री सें० वें० रामस्वामी) (क) जी नहीं।

(ख) सवाल नहीं उठता ।

Farm Advisory Unit

2768. Shri Vishram Prasad: Will the Minister of Food and Agriculture be pleased to state:

- (a) the concrete achievements of the Farm Advisory Unit of the Ministry during the year 1961-62; and
- (b) the steps taken to popularise the results in the researches carried out by the Government to increase food production in the country?

The Minister of State in the Ministry of Food and Agriculture (Dr. Ram Subhag Singh): (a) and (b). A statement is laid on the Table of the

House. [See Appendix III annexure No. 112].

Protest Week by All India Railwaymen's Federation

2769. Shri P. C. Borooah: Will the Minister of Railways be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the All India Railwaymen's Federation has given notice of their decision to observe a protest week begining from 25th May, 1962;
- (b) if so, what are their grievances;and
- (c) what steps are being taken by Government in the matter?

The Deputy Minister in the Ministry of Railways (Shri Shahnawaz Khan):
(a) and (b). No notice was given by the Federation but a casual mention was made by the Federation in one of the references about their decision to observe "anti-Victimisation Week" from 25th May 1962. The allegation of victimisation against the Railway Administration is not correct as those against whom action had been taken as a result of July '60 strike have not been dealt with harshly.

(c) No particular steps were necessary and the Week has already passed. As already mentioned from time to time, cases specifically taken up by Members of Parliament would be looked into again.

Afforestation on Kumaun Hills

2770. Shri E. Madhusudan Rao: Will the Minister of Food and Agriculture be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Government are considering a proposal for the afforestation of the Kumaun Hills, Punjab Hills etc. as a measure of flood controls in the country;
- (b) if so, the details of the scheme, if finalised; and
 - (c) the estimated cost thereof?

The Minister of State in the Ministry of Food and Agriculture (Dr. Ram Subhag Singh): (a) to (c). Information is being collected from the concerned States and will be laid on the Table of the House as soon as received.

Development of Agricultural Products

2771. Shri E. Madhusudan Rao: Will the Minister of Food and Agriculture be pleased to state:

- (a) the constributions of the Indian Agricultural Research Institute, New Delhi for the technique and development of Agricultural products in the country; and
- (b) the details of the research work now being undertaken in the Institute for the betterment of agricultural products in the country?

The Deputy Minister in the Ministry of Food (Shri A. M. Thomas): (a) and (b). A statement is laid on the Table of the House. [See Appendix III, annexure No. 113].

Booking of "E" Item Commodities in Baroda Division

Will the Minister of Railways be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it is a fact that considerable difficulties are being experienced in booking of "E" item commodities for the last 4 months in Baroda Division;
- (b) the number of wagons asked for and allotted for "E" item commodities during the last four months, monthwise in Baroda Division; and
- (c) the steps intended to be taken to relieve the situation?

The Deputy Minister in the Ministry of Railways (Shri S. V. Ramaswamy):
(a) Due to operational reasons loading of class E traffic in Baroda Divi-