

बिहार-बख्तियारपुर लाइट रेलवे के अप्रदस्थ कर्मचारियों ने रेलवे विभाग से नियुक्ति की मांग की थी।

(ख) यदि हां, तो सरकार ने इस सम्बन्ध में अब तक क्या कदम उठाया है; और

(ग) उस पुरानी रेलवे में स्थायी और अस्थायी कुल कितने कर्मचारी थे ?

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

(ख) बिहार बख्तियारपुर लाइट रेलवे के जो कर्मचारी १-१-१९६२ को ५० वर्ष से कम आयु के थे और जो शरीर से स्वस्थ और अन्यथा फिट से नियुक्ति के लिए उपयुक्त पाये गये, उनका माक्षात्कार मार्च, १९६२ के पहले हफ्ते में पूर्व और पूर्वोत्तर रेलों के अफसरों के सेलेक्शन बोर्डों द्वारा किया गया। इस सेलेक्शन के फलस्वरूप विभिन्न वर्गों में नियुक्ति के लिए २६४ कर्मचारी उपयुक्त पाये गये हैं। उनकी नियुक्ति के सवाल पर दोनों रेलों विचार कर रही है।

(ग) बिहार राज्य सरकार ने ५० वर्ष से कम आयु के कर्मचारियों की एक सूची भेजी है जिसमें सिर्फ ३०४ नाम हैं।

Ropeway at Gulmarg

878. **Shri Maheswar Naik:** Will the Minister of Transport and Communications be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the Union Government have approved a plan to link Tanmarg with Gulmarg by a ropeway system;

(b) what are the details of the plan;

(c) what are the financial implications thereof; and

(d) how the cost to be increased is proposed to be shared between the Centre and the State of Jammu and Kashmir?

The Minister of Shipping in the Ministry of Transport and Communications (Shri Raj Bahadur): (a) to

(d). A statement giving the required information is placed below.

STATEMENT

The Third Five Year Plan for development of Tourism includes a scheme for development of Winter Sports at Gulmarg (Kashmir) at an estimated cost of Rs. 20.00 lakhs. The expenditure is to be incurred directly by the Central Government. The development of winter sports also envisages installation of ropeways for taking up sports enthusiasts from Gulmarg to Alpathar. The scheme is being coordinated with the Department of Atomic Energy who have proposals to instal a ropeway from Gulmarg to Apherwat to carry their scientists and equipment. That Department had the area surveyed initially by a party of Czech Engineers who had suggested a certain alignment for the ropeway. At the instance of the Department of Tourism, a Winter Sports expert from Austria visited the area in December 1960 and he suggested certain changes in the alignment of the ropeway. For making Gulmarg accessible during winter he recommended construction of all-weather motorable road from Tangmarg to Gulmarg. In case it was not practicable to keep the road between Tangmarg and Gulmarg open during the winter months due to heavy snow, he suggested the installation of a ropeway between Tangmarg and Gulmarg also. The Department of Atomic Energy obtained the services of a French Consulting Engineer in September-October, 1961 to advise on the various technical aspects of the scheme. The Central P. W. D. are now making a physical survey of all the suggestions with a view to preparing an estimate of costs of the whole scheme. Hence the details and financial implications have not yet been finalised.

Tubwells near Tungabhadra Reservoir Villages

880. **Shri S. Swami:** Will the Minister of Food and Agriculture be pleased to state:

(a) whether any representation has been received by the people of sub-