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Lok Sabha. [See Appendix I annexure No. 50].

Development of Horticuiture

302. Shri Karni Singh: Will the Minister of Food and Agriculture be pleased to state the amount of subsidy or grant sanctioned to the Rajasthan State for the development of horticulture during the Second Five Year Plan?

The Minister of Food and Agriculture (Shri S. K. Patil): The following amounts by way of grant and loan were given by the Central Government to the Government of Rajasthan State for the development of horticulture during the Second Year Plan:

| Grant | Rs. | 1,12,000 - |
|-------|---------|-------------|
| Loan | Rs. | 10,72,000 - |

Telephone Connections

303. Shri Karni Singh: Will the Minister of Transport and Communications be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are aware that a large number of applicants are still awaiting their turn for grant of telephone connections from the Bikaner Exchange; and

(b) if so, what steps have been taken or are being taken to expedite grant of these connections?

The Minister of Transport and Communications (Shri Jagjivan Ram): (a) 83 applicants are on the waiting list.

(b) Necessary action for expansion of the exchange at Bikaner from 480 lines to 600 lines has been taken. The work is expected to be completed by October, 1962.

Invention of Machine to Prevent Accident

304. Shri Subodh Hansda: Shri S. C. Samanta: Shri B. K. Das:

Will the Minister of Railways be pleased to state

(a) whether it is a fact that a new machine has been invented by an

Indian Engineer to prevent accidents due to defects in railway lines;

(b) if so, how far it is successful in detecting railway accidents; and

(c) what steps Government are taking to develop the machine?

The Deputy Minister in the Ministry of Railways (Shri Shahnawaz Khan): (a) No, Sir.

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

'सब से ग्रच्छे ग्राम सेवक का चनाव

३०४. श्री नवल प्रभाकर : क्या सासु-दायिक विकास, पंचायतीराज ग्रौर सहकार मन्त्री यह बताने की क्रुपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या यह सच है कि दिल्ली में 'सबसे ग्राच्छा' ग्राम सेवक छांटने के लिये कार्यवाही की जा रही है; ग्रौर

(ख) यदि हां, तो इस चयन का म्राघार क्या है ?

सामुदायिक विकास, पंचायतीराज ग्रौर सहकार मंत्रालय में उपमंत्री (श्री ब० सू० मूर्लि) : (क) जी हां।

(ख) चयन का ग्राघार उत्पादन कार्य-कम के विभिन्न क्षेत्रों, विशेष कर क्रुषि, पशु-पालन, सिंचाई, सहकारिता ग्रौर पंचायती राज संस्थान्नों को बढ़ावा देने में मिली सफल-ताएं हैं।

प्रत्येक खण्ड पहले ग्रपना एक 'सबसे ग्रच्छा' ग्राम सेवक चुनता है ग्रौर फिर उनमें से सारे इलाके का 'सग्रसे ग्रच्छा' ग्राम सेवक एक समिति ढारा चुना जाता है।

Halt Station near District Courts, Motihari

306. Shri Bibhuti Mishra: Will the Minister of **Railways** be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that there is a longstanding demand for a halt station near District Courts, Motihari (North Eastern Railway)' and