The Deputy Minister in the Ministry of Transport and Communications (Shri Bhagavati): (a) No.

(b) A 25 line auto exchange has been sanctioned.

Mental Health in Punjab

2274. Shri D. C. Sharma: Will the Minister of Health be pleased to state:

(a) what schemes for mental health are proposed for Pupjab during the Third Plan period;

(b) what is the total financial outlay on mental health during the Third Plan in Punjab;

(c) how many beds there are for mental health patients in Purjao; and

(d) how many estimated cases of mental patients are requiring hospitalisation?

The Minister of Health (Dr. Susbila Nayar): (a) The following schemes for Mental Health are proposed for Punjab during the Third Plan period:

- (i) Establishment of Mental Hospital, Patiala.
- (ii) Additional essential building in the Punjab Mental Hospital, Amritsar.
- (iii) Construction of additional accommodation for incurable patients in the Punjab Mental Hospital, Amritsar.
- (iv) Psychiatric out-patient clinic at District Headquarters Hospitals.

(b) The total financial allocation for the above schemes during the Third Five Year Plan is Rs. 8,10,000.

(c) 600.

(d) No reliable information in this regard is available as no survey of mental diseases has been carried out so far in the Punjab.

Tube Wells in Punjab

2275. Shri D. C. Sharma; Will the Minister of Food and Agriculture be pleased to state:

(a) whether experimental tubewells were drilled in Punjab;

(b) if so, the number of tube-wells drilled so far, or that are being drilled, District-wise; and

(c) how many of the drilled tubewells were found successful?

The Deputy Minister in the Ministry of Food and Agriculture (Shri A. M. Thomas): (a) Yes.

(b) and (c). The number of exploratory bores drilled in 1957-58 in the various districts of the Punjab and the number found successful are given below:

Cons.ruction of a Bridge near Safdarjung Airport, New Delhi

2276. Shri E. Madhusudan Rao: Will the Minister of Railways be pleased to refer to the reply given to Unstarred Question No. 527 on the 3rd May, 1962 regarding over/under Bridge near Safdarjang Airport, New Delhi and state:

(a) whether any further developments have since taken place in the matter; and (b) if so, the details thereof?

The Deputy Minister of Railways (Shri S. V. Ramaswamy): (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

Wagon Breaking Cases on Railways

2277. Shri Ram Harkh Yaday: Will the Minister of Railways be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that recently wagon breaking cases on the Indian Railways are increasing alarmingly:

(b) if so, its effect on the claims for -compensation against railways;

(c) the steps Government are taking or propose to take to check the prevailing evil; and

(d) the role played by Railway employees in these cases?

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

(b) Does not arise.

(c) and (d). The following preventive measures already exist on .Railways:

- (i) vulnerable sections are pinpointed with a view to keeping a special eye thereon;
- (ii) Goods trains are escorted in the vulnerable areas;
- (iii) Foot patrolling by armed men is arranged in the affected areas:
- (iv) Close liaison is maintained with the G.R.P. and the Distt. Police at all levels:
- (v) desperate and violent criminals are even fired at to protect Railway property and person:
- (vi) basic security measures have been provided in the yards;
- (vii) wagons containing valuable commodities are invariably E. P. locked:
- t(viii) Railways staff who are mainly concerned with the protec-

tion of property incharge of the Railways are doing their best to prevent crime. Any dereliction or negligence of duty or complicity with criminals on their part is dealt with seriously.

Research-cum-Testing Centres for Agricultural implements

2278. ∫ Shri Himmatsinhji: Shrimati Gayatri Devi:

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

(a) whether Government have set up Research-cum-Testing Centres in improved Agricultural Implements; and

(b) if so, where and at what cost?

The Minister of State in the Ministry of Food and Agriculture (Dr. Ram Subhag Singh): (a) Yes.

(b) Research, Testing and Training Centres in Improved Agricultural Implements have so far been established at the Indian Agricultural Research Institute, New Delhi and in Coimbatore (Madras), Burdwan (West Bengal). Jhotwada (Rajasthan). Hyderabad (Andhra Pradesh) and Simla (Himachal Pradesh). Approval of the Government of India has also been conveyed for the establishment of similar centres in all other States except in Jammu and Kashmir. The State Governments concerned are taking steps to establish these Centres.

A provision of Rs. 1.00 crore has been made in the Third Five Year Plan for this purpose.

Central Institute of Pedology & Soil Mechanics

2279, ∫öhri Himmatsinhji: ∖ Shrimati Gayatri Devi:

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

(a) whether Government propose to set up a Central Institute of Pedology and Soil Mechanics; and