

(b) if so, the details thereof?

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

(b) The Mitsubishi Ship building and Engineering Limited, Tokyo, Japan, have offered to send a team of technical experts to investigate how the project could be progressed. When the team arrives further details will be discussed and when finalised will be placed before the House.

Hospitals under the control of Central Government

65. Shri Laxmi Dass: Will the Minister of Health be pleased to state:

(a) how many hospitals are working under the control of the Central Health Department and in what places they have been situated, and what type of diseases are being treated in those hospitals;

(b) how many employees are working in these hospitals; and

(c) the monthly salaries of the employees category-wise in Hospitals in big cities like Bombay, Calcutta, Madras, Hyderabad, Delhi, Bangalore which are under the Central Health Department?

The Minister of Health (Dr. Sushila Nayar): (a) Two in Delhi; the Safdarjang Hospital and the Willingdon Hospital. Treatment for all diseases is available.

(b) Willingdon Hospital .. 697
Safdarjang Hospital .. 1262

(c) There are only two hospitals under the direct control of the Central Health Ministry. They are in Delhi. The pay scales of the employees of Central Government Hospitals in Delhi are given in the Ministry of Finance Notifications No. S.O. 2519 dated the 15th October, 1960, and S.O. 1785 dated the 22nd July, 1961.

National Highways

66. Shri Laxmi Dass: Will the Minister of Transport and Communica-

tions be pleased to state the length of the National Highways State-wise?

The Minister of Shipping in the Ministry of Transport and Communications (Shri Raj Bahadur): A statement giving the required information is laid on the Table of the House. [See Appendix I, annexure No. 12].

Post Offices in Punjab

67. Shri D. C. Sharma: Will the Minister of Transport and Communications be pleased to state:

(a) the total number of post offices so far opened and proposed to be opened during the current year in the State of Punjab;

(b) how many of the offices already opened have been provided with telecommunication service facilities; and

(c) what is the future programme therefor?

The Deputy Minister in the Ministry of Transport and Communications (Shri Bhagavati): (a) Number opened from 1-4-1962 to 31-10-1962..... 143.

Proposed to be opened during the remaining period of current year. . . 62.

(b) None of the Post Offices opened during the current year has been provided with tele-communication facilities. However, two Public Call Offices and six telegraph offices were opened during the current year at places where post offices existed prior to 1-4-1962.

(c) 626 post offices, 80 Public Call Offices and 70 telegraph offices are expected to be opened during the remaining period of the Third Five Year Plan.

Over/Under Bridges proposed by Punjab Government in Third Plan

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

(a) the total number of over/under bridges proposed by the Punjab Government to him for inclusion in the Third Five Year Plan;

(b) how many of them have been accepted by the Central Government; and

(c) the reasons for not accepting the rest of them?

The Deputy Minister in the Ministry of Railways (Shri S. V. Ramaswamy):

(a) to (c). The Railways undertake construction of over/under-bridges in replacement of level crossings whenever a firm request is made by the State Government or the Local Authority who has also to agree to bear their share of cost and provide funds for the same.

The State Government of Punjab have intimated their intention to include tentatively five over-bridges during the Third Plan period, but so far firm demand has been received by the Railways only for one over-bridge at Amritsar. This proposal is under examination of the Railway.

पूसा कृषि संस्था

६६. श्री लक्ष्मू भवानी :
श्री सुरेन्द्रपाल सिंह :

क्या खाद्य तथा कृषि मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या यह सच है कि पूसा की भारतीय कृषि अनुसन्धान संस्था ने बाजरा तथा हाथी घास (नेपियर) के संकर से पशुओं के चारे की दो नई किस्में तैयार की हैं;

(ख) यदि हां, तो प्रत्येक राज्य में इसके प्रचार तथा मज्जाई के लिए क्या कदम उठाये गये हैं;

(ग) इस चारे को प्राप्त करने के क्या तरीके हैं; और

(घ) उक्त दोनों चारों को जन्म देने वाले व्यक्ति को किस रूप में पुरस्कृत किया गया है ?

खाद्य तथा कृषि मंत्रालय में राज्य मंत्री (डा० राम सुभग सिंह) : (क) जी हां । भारतीय कृषि अनुसन्धान संस्थान, नई दिल्ली ने पशुओं के चारे की घास की दो नई किस्में

विकसित की हैं । एक तो बाजरा तथा हाथी घास (नेपियर) के संकर से और दूसरी अंजन घास की दो विभिन्न भौगोलिक किस्मों के संकर से ।

(ख) ये घास प्रयोग के लिये किसानों, विभिन्न राज्य और केन्द्रीय कृषि संस्थाओं तथा पशु चिकित्सा अनुसन्धान संस्थाओं को मुफ्त बांटी गई है ।

(ग) इन चारे की घासों को उगाने वाली सामग्री भारतीय कृषि अनुसन्धान संस्थान, नई दिल्ली-१२ के वनस्पतिशास्त्र प्रभाग के प्रमुख से प्राप्त की जा सकती है ।

(घ) ये नई किस्में वनस्पतिशास्त्र प्रभाग के अनेक वैज्ञानिक जिनमें उस प्रभाग का प्रमुख भी शामिल है, के अनुसन्धानात्मक कार्य का परिणाम है । फिर भी एक अफसर को जिस ने इस सम्बन्ध में विशेष रूप से अच्छा काम किया, योग्यता उन्नति तथा अग्रिम वेतन वृद्धि सम्बन्धी योजना के अन्तर्गत तीन अग्रिम वेतन वृद्धियां दी गई हैं ।

Foreign Tourists

70. Shri Mate: Will the Minister of Transport and Communications be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Director of Tourism invites complaints and suggestions from the foreign tourists visiting India;

(b) if so, the number of complaints received in 1961 and 1962 separately;

(c) nature of the complaints;

(d) whether it is also a fact that most of the complaints are about cheating by the travel agencies and shopkeepers; and

(e) if so, action taken by Government in the matter?

The Minister of Shipping in the Ministry of Transport and Communications (Shri Raj Bahadur): (a) to (d). In order to elicit the opinion of foreign tourists visiting India about the