

**Road Development**

145. { Shri Maheshwar Nalk;  
Shrimati Savitri Nigam:

Will the Minister of Transport be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the plan provision for road development has been revised;

(b) if so, the revised figure; and

(c) the off-take during these years of the plan and the achievements?

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

(b) About Rs. 416 crores.

(c) Expenditure aggregating about Rs. 220 crores is expected to be incurred during the first three years of the current plan period upto the end of 1963-64. In physical terms, about 17,600 kilometres of surfaced roads were added in the current plan upto the end of March, 1963.

**तारघर**

१४६. श्री कछवाय : क्या डाक तथा तार मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि एक तारघर दूसरे तारघर से कितनी दूरी पर होना चाहिये ?

डाक और तार विभाग में उपमंत्री (श्री भगवती) : दो तारघरों के बीच के फासलों की कोई सीमा निश्चित नहीं की गई है। उन सभी स्थानों में जहाँ तारघर खोलना लाभप्रद हो तारघर खोल दिये जाते हैं। प्रशासनिक केन्द्रों जैसे जिला उपमण्डल तथा तहसील मुख्यालयों में भी तारघर खोले जाते हैं बावजूद इसके कि निफ्ट के तारघरों से उनको दूरी चाहे जितनी हो। ५००० जनसंख्या वाले कस्बों में घाटे की कृद्घ सामग्रियों के आधार पर तारघर खोले जाते हैं बशर्ते कि उस कस्बे की पांच मील की अरीय दूरी के भीतर कोई तारघर मौजूद न हो।

**Delhi-Bulandshahr Rail Link**

147. Shri Kachhavaia: Will the Minister of Railways be pleased to state whether there is a proposal to connect Delhi directly with Bulandshahr (U.P.) by Railway line?

The Deputy Minister in the Ministry of Railways (Shri S. V. Rama-Swamy): No.

**Research on Paddy Seed**

148. { Shri B. K. Das;  
Shri S. C. Samanta:

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

(a) whether radio-activity has so far been tried on paddy seed or plant in any of our research laboratories; and

(b) if so, with what result?

The Minister of State in the Ministry of Food and Agriculture (Dr. Ram Subhag Singh): (a) Yes. Radio-active sources have been used in paddy crop at (i) Indian Agricultural Research Institute, New Delhi, (ii) Bose Institute, Calcutta, (iii) Atomic Energy Establishment, Trombay (Bombay) and (iv) Central Rice Research Institute, Cuttack.

(b) Some high-yielding, non-lodging varieties have been evolved and are under experimentation.

**National Highway No. 37**

149. Shri R. Barua: Will the Minister of Transport be pleased to state:

(a) whether the design and construction of Highway No. 37 and its pavements are subjected to scientific investigation; and

(b) whether the quick deterioration and constant corrugation of pavements of this road ever attracted attention of Government for utilising the services of the Central Road Research Institute?

The Minister of Shipping in the Ministry of Transport (Shri Raj