

**The Minister of Food and Agriculture (Shri Kidwai):** (a) A report containing the important recommendations adopted at the Lucknow Conference is placed on the Table of the House. [See Appendix VI, annexure No. 44.]

(b) The estimates have yet to be worked out in consultation with the State Governments.

(c) As soon as the various recommendations are examined and the State Governments agree to the salient features of the scheme.

#### BOMBAY-CALCUTTA MAIL TRAIN

**504. Shri K. G. Deshmukh:** (a) Will the Minister of Railways be pleased to state whether it is a fact that arrangement is being made to pass a Bombay-Calcutta (via Nagpur) mail train to Amravati railway station on the Central Railway?

(b) If the answer to part (a) above be in the affirmative, how much time will it take to run the said train?

**The Deputy Minister of Railways and Transport (Shri Alagesan):** (a) No.

(b) Does not arise.

#### TRACTORS

**505. Shri Madiah Gowda:** Will the Minister of Food and Agriculture be pleased to state:

(a) the number of tractors possessed by the Central Government;

(b) the number of acres ploughed by these tractors for the year 1951-52;

(c) the average expenditure incurred for ploughing an acre of land; and

(d) the total amount of recurring expenditure for tractor service for the year 1951-52?

**The Minister of Food and Agriculture (Shri Kidwai):** (a) The Central Tractor Organisation has 548 tractors at present. However, only 240 heavy tractors and a few medium tractors are being retained in the Organisation for actual work in connection with the land reclamation scheme, and the rest of the tractors are being disposed of.

(b) In the 1951-52 reclamation year the Organisation ploughed 2,55,534 acres.

(c) Rs. 52 per acre is the average expenditure in the case of work done by the new tractors of the Organisation. For work done by the old machines, the average rate is Rs. 17-8-0 per hour exclusive of fuel lubricants and transport charges.

(d) Rs. 91,12,208.

#### HOSPITALS AND DISPENSARIES

**506. Shri Rishang Keishing:** Will the Minister of Health be pleased to state:

(a) the number of the existing Government hospitals and dispensaries in the whole of Manipur and medical staff employed in each of them;

(b) the total amount of money set apart for the improvement of the existing hospitals and dispensaries during the current financial year; and

(c) the number of new hospitals and dispensaries to be opened in both of the hills and plains of Manipur during the next financial year?

**The Deputy Minister of Health (Shrimati Chandrasekhar):** (a) There are twenty-three hospitals and dispensaries in Manipur. A statement containing information regarding the medical staff employed in each of these institutions is placed on the Table of the House. [See Appendix VI, annexure No. 45.]

(b) Rs. 18,000.

(c) Ten new dispensaries will be opened during the next financial year, in addition to ten dispensaries to be opened in the Hill areas during the current financial year.

#### CIVIL HOSPITAL, IMPHAL

**507. Shri Rishang Keishing:** Will the Minister of Health be pleased to state:

(a) the present strength of medical staff in the Civil Hospital of Imphal;

(b) whether it is a fact that classes for training compounders have been opened in Imphal Civil Hospital and if so, whether it has been done so with the necessary sanction of any medical college; and

(c) whether it is also a fact that a separate ward and kitchen exclusively for tribal people are being maintained in the said Hospital?

**The Deputy Minister of Health (Shrimati Chandrasekhar):** (a) The medical staff in the Civil Hospital, Imphal, at present consists of—

Chief Medical Officer	1
Assistant Surgeons, Grade II	8
Nursing Sister	1
Compounders	6
Nurses	4
Midwives	3
Ward Attendants	4
Laboratory Assistant	1

**TOTAL**

**28**

(b) Yes. The training classes are affiliated to the Berrywhite Medical School, Dibrugarh.

(c) Yes.

#### RAILWAY LINES

508. **Shri R. N. S. Deo:** Will the Minister of Railways be pleased to state:

(a) the total mileage of Railway lines in each State, State-wise; and

(b) the proportion of Railway mileage to area and to population, State-wise?

**The Deputy Minister of Railways and Transport (Shri Alagesan):** Information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the House when ready.

#### NEW RAILWAY LINES FOR ORISSA

509. **Shri R. N. S. Deo:** Will the Minister of Railways be pleased to state:

(a) whether (i) Sambalpur-Titlagarh, (ii) Rourkella-Talcher and (iii) Naomundi-Joda proposed Railway lines out of the ten new Railway lines recommended by the Orissa Government are under consideration of Government;

(b) if the answer to part (a) above be in the affirmative, when a decision is likely to be arrived at; and

(c) when the construction will start?

**The Deputy Minister of Railways and Transport (Shri Alagesan):** (a) Yes.

(b) It is hoped to reach a decision at a meeting of the Central Board of Transport in the New Year.

(c) This will depend on the decision reached and the funds available to implement it.

#### SHIFTING OF RAILWAY OFFICES FROM TITLAGARH

510. **Shri R. N. S. Deo:** Will the Minister of Railways be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is proposed to remove the District Engineer's Office and the Assistant Commercial Officer's Office from Titlagarh on the Raipur-Vizianagaram Section of the Eastern Railway and if so, to what place or places and when;

(b) whether the Central Government have received any representation from

the Government of Orissa or the public against such proposal; and

(c) whether Government have taken any decision in the matter?

**The Deputy Minister of Railways and Transport (Shri Alagesan):** (a) Office of the Superintendent Way and Works Titlagarh is proposed to be shifted to Waltair in about 6 months' time but there is no proposal to shift the Office of the Assistant Commercial Officer.

(b) No.

(c) Question does not arise.

#### MILK

511. **Shri Mohanlal Saksena:** Will the Minister of Food and Agriculture be pleased to state the measures which have been taken by the Central Government for improving milk supply in the country?

**The Minister of Food and Agriculture (Shri Kidwal):** The measures taken by the Government of India to improve the milk supply in the country are as follows:—

(1) Helping State Governments to start Key Village Centres with a view to increasing milk production by providing to breed through measures like artificial insemination. Key Village Centres are also meant to protect cattle against diseases and effectively conserve and use feeds and fodder.

(2) Research investigation on different aspects of breeding, feeding and general management to improve the milk capacity of cattle and evolving profitable methods of producing, handling, storage and marketing of milk and milk products.

(3) Production and distribution of vaccines to protect cattle against diseases and improve their health and production capacity.

(4) Training of dairy technicians and field and research workers.

#### SUPPLY OF FOODGRAINS TO HYDERABAD

512. **Shri H. G. Vaishnav:** (a) Will the Minister of Food and Agriculture be pleased to state what was the total quantity of foodgrains of each kind imported to Hyderabad State in the years 1951 and 1952 and the total value thereof?

(b) What was the total quantity of foodgrains of each kind exported from Hyderabad State during the same period and their total value?