

The Minister of Food and Agriculture (Shri Kidwai): (a) Attention of the Hon. Member is invited to the reply given to part (a) of Starred Question No. 889 asked by Shri S. C. Samanta on the 28th August, 1953.

(b) Against the target of 127 Artificial Insemination Centres and 514 Key Villages proposed to be established by the end of the year 1953-54, so far 92 Artificial Insemination Centres with 256 Key Villages, have started functioning.

(c) No.

ANNAPURNA SERVICE ON NORTHERN RAILWAY

516. **Prof. D. C. Sharma:** (a) Will the Minister of Railways be pleased to state whether the All-India Women's Food Council is going to introduce its Annapurna Service on the Northern Railway?

(b) If so, at what centres?

The Deputy Minister of Railways and Transport (Shri Alagesan): (a) and (b). The All-India Women's Food Council have already introduced, on and from 20-5-1953, the "Annapurna" service on the Dining Car running by the 33UP and 34Down Dehra Dun Express trains between Delhi and Dehra Dun on alternative days. They have also been given a contract for running the Vegetarian Refreshment Room at Lucknow station and their service has commenced there on and from 18-7-1953.

SUPPLY OF WATER ON RAILWAY STATIONS

517. **Shri Dabhi:** Will the Minister of Railways be pleased to state:

(a) the names of the stations on the Western Railway between Ahmedabad and Baroda, on (i) the Nadiad-Kapadvanj Section of the Western Railway, (ii) the Anand-Petlad-Cambay line on the Bhadran-Petlad-Pithi line, (iii) the Anand-Dakor-Godhra line, and (iv)

the Vasad-Kathana line, where no arrangements for the supply of cool water to passengers have so far been made by the Railways; and

(b) the time within which such arrangement will be made at all these stations?

The Deputy Minister of Railways and Transport (Shri Alagesan): (a) At majority of the stations, permanent water-huts and watermen are provided for the purpose; at stations where these are not provided, either the station staff arrange the storing of cool drinking water in earthen chatties and supply to passengers as and when required or watermen travelling in passenger trains serve drinking water to passengers.

(b) Does not arise in view of the answer to (a).

ADDITIONAL TRAIN BETWEEN ANAND AND CAMBAY

518. **Shri Dabhi:** Will the Minister of Railways be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government propose to run an additional train between Anand and Cambay; and

(b) if not, the reasons therefor?

The Deputy Minister of Railways and Transport (Shri Alagesan): (a) and (b). It is regretted that on account of the shortage of rolling stock it is not at present possible to do so, but the matter will be reviewed when the position improves.

RAILWAY ACCIDENTS

519. **Pandit M. B. Bhargava:** Will the Minister of Railways be pleased to state:

(a) the number of major Railway accidents occurred by collision during the year 1952-53 and in the months of April to June, 1953 on the Railways;