

(c) The main recommendations are given below:-

- (i) Improvement in the design of Rail Motor car and better maintenance in certain respects.
- (ii) Provision of additional gate lodges for gatemen.
- (iii) The 'Train Staff and Ticket system' should be replaced by 'Absolute Block' system of working trains.
- (iv) Display, at stations, of special pictorial posters in different languages depicting the fire hazards of carriage by passengers of explosive and inflammable articles as luggage.
- (v) Replacement of mechanical control of signals by electrical control to eliminate certain risks likely to arise in the former case.
- (vi) Introduction of the 'Pilot Guard System' of working trains on a totally interrupted block section instead of the 'Proceed' certificate, and next train entering memo system.
- (vii) Expediting the provision of 'Automatic Vacuum Brake' equipment on all goods vehicles on the Metre Gauge.
- (viii) Railway Administrations should provide warning signals to road vehicles at the road approaches to all unmanned level crossings.
- (ix) Revision of instructions for ensuring greater safety of running trains when the work of oiling and cleaning fish-plates on the track is in progress.
- (x) Review of the question of patrolling certain sections of the North Eastern Railway, where cases of tampering with track had been frequent.
- (xi) Systematic drive to see the scotch blocks, safety chains

etc., are used according to rules to prevent vehicles, stabled at stations, from running away.

(d) Yes.

(e) Out of the eleven main recommendations enumerated above, 9 i.e. except items (viii) and (x) have been accepted. Items (i), (iii), (iv) and (xi) have already been implemented and the remaining are in the process of implementation.

#### SUGAR

**324. Shri M. L. Agrawal:** Will the Minister of Food and Agriculture be pleased to state (i) the quantities of sugar-cane crushed by the vacuum pan factories, (ii) the quantities of sugar manufactured, (iii) the prices of sugar-cane and sugar fixed by Government, (iv) percentage of recovery of sugar from sugar-cane and (v) market rates of sugar, during the year 1951-52 and 1952-53 in India?

**The Minister of Food and Agriculture (Shri Kidwai):** Two statements showing the required information are laid on the Table of the House. [See Appendix III, annexure No. 32.]

#### FERTILIZERS

**325. Shri Rajagopala Rao:** (a) Will the Minister of Food and Agriculture be pleased to state what quantities of Ammonium Sulphate were imported into India and at what price during each of the six months commencing from 1st July, 1951 up-to-date on—

(i) private account;

(ii) Government account; and

(iii) as free gift from Technical Aid Agreement?

(b) What is the quantity of Ammonium Sulphate produced in India during each of the six months commencing from 1st July, 1951 up-to-date?

(c) How much quantity of Ammonium Sulphate was produced during each half year from 1st July, 1951