State Government. The land required for all these stations was acquired by the State Government. The information about the compensation paid or being paid to the owners will be laid on the Table of the House when it is received from the State Government.

The area under the Central Coconut Research Station, Kayangulam, has been leased out by the State Government to the Indian Central Coconut Committee for a period of 50 years on an annual rental of Rs. 4,000/—.

## BLOOD TRANSFUSION

- 214. Shri V. P. Nayar: Will the Minister of Health be pleased to state:
- (a) whether Government have investigated the possibility of utilising placental blood for the purposes of blood transfusion; and
- (b) if so, what work has been done in this regard?

The Deputy Minister of Health (Shrimati Chandrasekhar): (a) No.

(b) Does not arise.

## FAMILY PLANNING

- 215. Shri V. P. Nayar: (a) Will the Minister of Health be pleased to state for how long the Family Planning Centre at Lodhi Colony has been functioning?
- (b) What is the number of persons who have visited the Centre in each of the years of its existence?

The Deputy Minister of Health (Shrimati Chandrasekhar): (a) From July, 1952.

(b) 602 during the period from July, 1952 to July 1953.

## रायला रोड स्टेशन

२१६. श्री बलवन्त सिंह महता: (क) क्या रेल मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि पश्चिमी रेलवे के मलवां सेक्शन की ग्रजमेर-खंडवा लाइन के फ्लैग स्टेशन रायला

रोड को "डी" क्लास स्टेशन बनाने की योजना स्वीकार की जा चुकी है ?

- (ख) यदि हां, तो सरकार कब तक यह काम करना चाहती है ?
- (ग) इस पर कितना रुपया खर्च होने का ग्रन्मान है ?

The Deputy Minister of Railways and Transport (Shri Alagesan): (a) Raila Road station on the Ajmer-Khandwa section is already a 'D' class station.

(b) and (c). Do not arise.

BITTRAGUNTA-GUDUR PASSENGER TRAIN

- 217. Shri Nanadas: Will the Minister of Railways be pleased to state:
- (a) whether the passenger train, which has been running between Bittragunta and Gudur since 21st October, 1953 will be continued even after 15th December, 1953;
- (b) what is the additional expenditure incurred for running that train since 21st October, 1953 and what is the income from passenger traffic; and
- (c) whether it is proposed to run that train between Singarayakonda and Gudur instead of Bittragunta and Gudur?

The Deputy Minister of Railways and Transport (Shri Alagesan): (a) The train in question is a mixed and not a passenger train. When, due to the floods in the river Pennar, the causeway between Padugupadu and Nellore on the Great Northern Trunk Road became impassable, this mixed train was introduced purely as an emergency arrangement. The intention is to review its justification after the causeway has been again functioning normally for some time.

- (b) The information is not readily available.
  - (c) No.