

under the Five Year Plan to the Planning Commission for water supply and sanitation in the Punjab State; and

(b) if so, the nature of the Scheme and the decision taken thereon?

The Minister of Health Rajkumari Amrit Kaur: (a) No scheme for water supply and sanitation in Punjab has been submitted to the Planning Commission..

(b) Does not arise

BRIDGES IN SAGAR DISTRICT

455. Shri K. C. Sodhia: Will the Minister of Transport be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that certain bridges on National Highway No. 26 in Sagar District of Madhya Pradesh are scheduled to be constructed during the period of the currency of the First Five Year Plan;

(b) if so, the names of the places where these bridges will be constructed and the estimated cost thereon; and

(c) when the construction work is likely to commence?

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

(b) Four minor bridges are proposed to be constructed over Nallas, one each near Deori and Surkhi towns and two near Gourjhamar, at a total estimated cost of Rs. 6 lakhs.

(c) In 1955.

EMPLOYMENT EXCHANGES

456. Shri Jethalal Joshi: Will the Minister of Labour be pleased to state:

(a) the number of persons registered with the Employment Exchange in Saurashtra in the year 1953-54; and

(b) the number of those who have been provided with employment during this period?

The Minister of Labour (Shri K. K. Desai): (a) 8,777.

(b) 827.

रहस्यमय बीमारी

४५७. श्री बी० डी० शास्त्री : क्या स्वास्थ्य मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगी कि :

(क) दिल्ली तथा अन्य राज्यों के बच्चों में जो रहस्यमय बीमारी फैली हुई है उसके कारण कितने बच्चे मरे हैं ;

(ख) क्या इस बीमारी के वास्तविक स्वरूप का पता चल गया है और उसके लिये मफल उपचार खोज लिया गया है ; और

(ग) चिकित्सा के कारण इस बीमारी के कितने रोगी बच गए हैं ?

The Minister of Health (Rajkumari Amrit Kaur): (a) There have been 54 deaths upto 4th, September, 1954, on account of this disease in Delhi State. No definite information regarding the number of deaths which have occurred in the other States is available.

(b) Not yet.

(c) No information is available.

PRICES OF FOOD GRAINS

458. Th. Jugal Kishore Sinha: Will the Minister of Food and Agriculture be pleased to state:

(a) the economic level of the prices of different kinds of food grains in the country; and

(b) the market prices of food grains at present prevailing in the various States?

The Minister of Food and Agriculture (Shri Kidwai): (a) Data for determining economic level of prices of Foodgrains are not maintained by the Government.

(b) Statements giving the available information are laid on the Table of the Sabha. [See Appendix VI, annexure No. 15]

BORHALGANJ AND BAHRAICH RAILWAY LINE

459. Shri R. S. Lal: Will the Minister of Railways be pleased to state:

(a) whether any proposal has been made for a new railway line between Borhalganj and Bahraich via Damodarganj and Bansi;

(b) if so, the reaction of the State Government to this proposal; and

(c) the decision if any, taken by Government in view of the importance and urgency for constructing this line?

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

(b) The State Government's recommendations in order of priority for construction of new lines during the Second Five Year Plan period are awaited.

(c) In view of the answer to part (b) above, this does not arise.

RAILWAY STATION AT ORWARA (N. E. RLY.)

460. Shri R. S. Lal: Will the Minister of Railways be pleased to state:

(a) whether any request has been received for the construction of a new Railway station near Orwara between Gonda and Gorakhpur on the North Eastern Railway; and

(b) if so, when the work will be undertaken?

The Deputy Minister of Railways and Transport (Shri Alagesan): (a) and (b). A proposal for opening a new station near Orwara between Basti and Munderwa stations on the Gonda-Gorakhpur section was recently examined by the North-Eastern Railway in consultation with the zonal

Railway Users' Consultative Committee and dropped, as it lacked financial justification. The proposal is, however, under further consideration on public amenity grounds.

गवेषणा करने वाले छात्र

४६१. श्री नवल प्रभाकर : क्या खाद्य तथा कृषि मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) पूमा गवेषणा संस्था, दिल्ली में कितने छात्र गवेषणा कार्य में लगे हुए हैं;

(ख) वे कितने समय तक गवेषणा करेंगे; और

(ग) गवेषणा काल में उन्हें क्या क्या सुविधाएं दी जाती हैं ?

The Minister of Food and Agriculture (Shri Kidwai): (a) Post-graduate Students 103, Honorary Research Workers 5 and Research Fellows 6.

(b) For Post-graduate Students 2 years; for Honorary Research Workers 6 months, extendable on the merits of each case, and for Research Fellows 1 year, extendable on the merits of each case.

(c) In addition to the Library and Laboratory facilities which are available to all workers, Post-graduate Students are given regular lectures and practicals during the first year and expert guidance for carrying on research on problem or problems assigned to them in the second year. Honorary Research Workers and Research Fellows are given expert guidance in their Research problems. The Research Fellows are also paid at Rs. 150/- (Fixed) per month, each.

नीतनवा और मुनौली के बीच रेल लाइन

४६२. { श्री एच० एस० प्रसाद :
श्री शमर :

क्या रेलवे मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि

(क) क्या उत्तर पूर्व रेलवे के नीतनवा स्टेशन और नेपाल सीमा पर स्थित मुनौली