(c) Does not arise. The amount of loan has also not been decided yet.

THE INDIAN MEDICAL COUNCIL

534. Shri S. N. Das: Will the Minister of Health be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have finally decided to bring forward a comprehensive Bill to amend the Indian Medical Council Act;

(b) if so, whether any decision in regard to the opening of All India Register and for the proper representation of Medical Licentiates in the Council has been taken; and

(c) if so, what is the decision in these matters and when the proposed amending Bill is to be introduced?

The Minister of Health (Rajkumari Amrit Kaur): (a) A final decision will be taken on receipt of the views of State Governments who have been addressed in the matter.

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

ELECTRIFICATION OF STATIONS ON NORTH EASTERN RAILWAY

535. Th. Jugal Kishore Sinha: Will the Minister of Railways be pleased to state:

(a) the number of the Railway Stations between Darbhanga and Narkatiganj on North Eastern Railway which have the provision of electric light and fans; and

(b) the time that will be taken to supply electric light and fans at such stations on this section as are not provided with this amenity?

The Deputy Minister of Railways and Transport (Shri Alagesan): (a) At present Darbhanga, Sitamarih, Raxaul and Narkatiganj have been provided with electric light and fans.

(b) No programme for the electrification of the remaining stations has been yet drawn up as this is linked with the plan of power development of the Bihar Government. PASSENGER AMENITIES ON THE NORTHERN RAILWAY

536. Shri Hem Raj: Will the Minister of Railways be pleased to state:

(a) the various amenities proposed to 'be provided for passengers in different stations on the K. V. R. Section of the Northern Railway; and

(b) the anticipated expenditure for meeting these requirements?

The Deputy Minister of Railways and Transport (Shri Alagesan): (a) A statement is attached showing the works proposed for the next 3 years. [See Appendix VI. annexure No. 65.]

(b) Approximately Rs. 84,000.

KONI TRAINING CENTRE

537. Shri N. A. Borkar: Will the Minister of Labour be pleased to state:

(a) the progress of work in regard to the Koni Training Centre at Bilaspur, Madhya Pradesh during the last two years;

(b) the total number of students who qualified in different trades during the above period;

(c) the total number of qualified students employed during the above period; and

(d) the difficulties that this training centre is experiencing in making speedy progress?

The Minister of Labour (Shri K. K. Desai): (a) There was one Session of training at Koni for Technical Trades with 343 trainees and two for Vocational Trades with 92 trainees for each session. The Training Centre has been working satisfactorily.

(b) 413.

(c) 167 were employed through Employment Exchanges in addition to the persons who found employment through sources other than Exchanges. There is no information of the number in the latter category. (d) No specific difficulty has been encountered.

BARIPADA TELEPHONE EXCHANGE

538. Shri R. C. Majhi: Will the Minister of Communications be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the telephone exchange at Baripada in Mayurbhanj District (Orissa) has been taken over by the Government of India;

(b) if so, the date when it was taken over; and

(c) whether this Exchange would serve the entire district?

The Deputy Minister of Communications (Shri Raj Bahadur): (a) Yes.

(b) 1st September, 1954.

(c) No.

विष्य प्रदेश में तार तथा टेलीफोन की सुविधाए

५३९. श्री आर० एस० तिवारीः क्या संचार मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) विंध्य प्रदेश में १९५३–५४ में कितने तार घर खोले गए हैं और कितने टेलीफोन लगाए गए हैं;

(ख) क्या इस राज्य में सभी जिलों और तहसीलों के बीच तार तथा टेलीफोन सम्बन्ध स्थापित कर दिए गए हैं: और

(ग) यदि नहीं, तो कब तक यह प्रबन्ध हो जाने की आशा है ?

The Deputy Minister of Communications (Shri Raj Bahadur): (a) Two Telegraph Offices were opened during 1953-54. 76 main telephone connections and 11 extensions were given during the same period.

(b) All the eight district headquarters are connected by telegraph systems while only five are connected by telephone systems.

Out of 26 Tehsil headquarters, 22 are connected by telegraph systems while only seven are connected by telephone systems.

(c) The remaining three district headquarters are expected to be connected by Telephone system by 31st March, 1955.

Out of four tehsils which are not connected by telegraph systems, one will be connected by the Telegraph system by the end of this year. The remaining three will have to wait for some time.

Out of nineteen Tehsils not connected ed to the Trunk network four will be connected by the Telephone system by the end of 1954-55. The remaining fifteen will have to wait for some time.

विभ्य प्रदेश में भूमि का फिर से जेती योग्य बनाया जाना

५४०. भी आर० एस० तिवारी: क्या बाद्य तथा इवि मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे:

(क) क्या यह सव है कि केन्द्रीय सरकार ने अमर कंटक, विंध्य प्रदेश में भूमि को फिर से खेती योग्य बनाने के लिए ट्रेक्टर भेजे थे;

(ख) यदि हां, तो अब तक कितनी भूमि खेती योग्य बनाई जा चकी है;

(ग) अव तक इन ट्रेक्टरों पर कितना खर्च हुआ है;

(घ) इत्त ट्रेक्टरों की देखमाल केन्द्र की जिम्मेदारी हैया राज्य सरकार की; और

(ङ) खेती योग्य बनाई गई भूमि में कितने का बीज बोया गया और उससे कितनी उपज हई ?

The Minister of Food and Agriculture (Shri Kidwai): (a) Yes, Sir. Eight tractors were sent.

(b) About 1,000 acres.

(c) The expenditure, excluding depreciation on the tractors, incurred by the Organisation during the operation is Rs. 76,346/11/.