The Deputy Minister of Railways and Transport (Shri Alagesan): (a) and (b). A statement showing the position on each Railway is enclosed. [See Appendix VIII, annexure No.

(c) Yes, wagons which can be so used, are put back into service after repairs. Wagons which are uneconomical to repair are usually cut up or sold after reclaiming the serviceable parts.

SHIFTING OF SUGAR MILLS

612. Shri Wodeyar: Will the Minister of Food and Agriculture be pleased to state:

(a) the number of applications that are pending consideration before Gov-

ernment in regard to the opening of sugar factories in South India;

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- (b) the names of the places where sugar factories are permitted to be opened at present;
- (c) the names of the persons who have been given permission to open their factories; and
- (d) whether the Government of India have promised or paid any money to help these factories?

The Minister of Food and Agriculture (Shri Kidwai): (a) 25.

(b) and (c). Licences have been granted to the following concerns for establishment of new sugar factories in South India:

| Serial No. | Name of concern | Location |
|---------------|---|--------------------------------|
| 1. | Shri Muljibhai P. Madhwani, Singara Estate, Coonoor, Mysore. | Shimoga (Mysore). |
| 2. | M/s. Thiruvannamalai Sugar Mills Ltd., Thiruvannamalai, District North Arcot. (Madras). | Thiruvannamalai. (Madras). |
| 3. | M/s. Challapalle Sugar Ltd., Challapalle, Distt. Kistna. | Challapalle (Madras). |
| 4. | M/s. Kulittalai Sugar Factory, Ltd., Kulittalai (Madras). | Kulittalai (Madras). |
| 5. | M/s. V. S. Thyagaraja Mudaliar, 53, Peters Road, Madras. | Vedapathimangalam (Madras). |
| 6. | Shri V. D. Chitale, 31, Western India House, Bombay. | Malsiras (Bombay). |
| 7. | M/s. Parry & Co. Ltd., Madras | Kolianur (Madras). |

(d) No. Sir.

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६१३. भी एम० एन० सिंह: क्या रेलवे मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे:

- (क) क्या उत्तर-पूर्व रेलवे के छपरा स्टेशन के तीसरे दरजे के प्रतीक्षालय को सुधारने और प्लेटफार्म पर छत डालने के लिये कुछ समय पहले मंजूरी दी गयी थी;
- (ख) यदि हां, तो क्या वे दोनों कार्यं अब प्रेहो चुके हें; और
- (ग) यदि नहीं, तो इसका क्या कारण है?

The Deputy Minister of Railways and Transport (Shri Alagesan): (a) and (b). Not yet, Sir.

(c) Passenger amenity works have necessarily to be provided on a programme basis. Annual programmes for such works are drawn up by the Passenger Amenity Committee, keeping in view the availability of funds, relative importance, urgency and need for works at different stations. Improvements to the Waiting hall, and extension of the existing covering of platform at Chupra station are expected to be included in a new future programme.