unstarred question No. 581 on the 22nd December, 1953, and state:

(a) whether any more cases of such requisitions of land in Uttar Palinpara in Tripura have recently taken place; and

(b) if so, what steps Government propose to take to help the Scheduled Tribes in Tripura?

The Deputy Minister of Food and Agriculture (Shri M. V. Krishnappa): (a) No.

(b) Does not arise.

PASSENGER AMENITIES

743. Thakur Jugal Kishore Sinha: Will the Minister of **Railways** be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are aware that due to the over filling of the overhead water tanks of the trains very often the passengers of compartments get drenched; and

(b) if so, what steps are being taken to stop it?

The Deputy Minister of Railways and Transport (Shri Alagesan): (a) and (b). Such instances are very rare, and when these do occur the staff at fault are suitably dealt with.

WORKING HOURS OF RAILWAY EMPLOYEES

744. Shri Ganpati Ram: Will the Minister of Railways be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the total duty period of workers of the Carriage and Wagon Shops on the Western Railway employed in three shifts cyclic duty exceeds 48 hours in two weeks out of every three weeks as per roster of duty in force;

(b) if so, whether these workers are being paid over-time allowance for

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the hours in excess of 48 hours in a week; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor?

The Deputy Minister of Railways and Transport (Shri Alagesan): (a) to (c). The information has been called for from the Western Railway Administration and a reply to this question will be laid on the Table of the House, as soon as the information is received from the Western Railway Administration.

RAILWAY EMPLOYEES

745. Pandit D. N. Tiwary: Will the Minister of Railways be pleased to state whether it is a fact that clerks from other offices of Railways are being called to act as Assistants in Railway Board while similar facility is denied to the Railway Board's clerks for promotion in other offices?

The Deputy Minister of Railways and Transport (Shri Alagesan); Yes. As the number of clerks in the Railway Board's office suitable for promotion is inadequate, it is proposed to hold an examination to select suitable clerks from Railways for promotion. No clerk in the office of the Railway Board has requested for transfer to a Railway.

गामीण द्वैत्रों के लिये स्वच्छ जल का दिया जाना

984. श्री भक्त दर्शन : क्या स्वास्थ्य मंत्री ३ सितम्बर, ९६४४ को दिये गये तारांकित प्रश्न संख्या ४६४ के उत्तर के सम्बन्ध में यह बताने की कपा करेंगी कि :

(क) क्या तब से उत्तर प्रदंश सरकार की ग्रामीण द्वेत्रों में नल द्वारा पानी पहुंचाने की योजना स्वीकार कर ली गई हैं : और

(ल) यदि हां, तो उसका व्योस क्या इँ ?