

(b) if so, when the construction work is likely to be undertaken in this regard?

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

(b) This project would be considered while selecting new lines for construction during the Second Five-Year Plan Period. It is accordingly too early to say whether the construction of this line would be undertaken and if so, when.

### अतिरिक्त-विभागीय डाकघर

२२८. श्री भक्त वर्मान : क्या संचार मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि अगस्त १९४७ के बाद से प्रति वर्ष कितने अतिरिक्त विभागीय डाकघरों को बदल कर विभागीय डाकघर बनाया गया है ?

संचार उपमंत्री (श्री राज बहादुर): एक विवरण जिसमें मांगी हुई सूचना दी गई है सभा पटल पर रखा जाता है [दीर्घावधि परीक्षा १०, अनुबन्ध संख्या ६०].

### INDIAN SHIPPING

**839. Shri D. C. Sharma:** Will the Minister of Transport be pleased to state:

(a) the names of the Indian Ships that have sunk during 1954;

(b) the localities where they have sunk; and

(c) the number that has been salvaged?

**The Deputy Minister of Railways and Transport (Shri Alagesan):** (a) and (b). 1 S.T. "Cheertul"—Ballard Pier, Bombay.

2. S.S. "Janaki"—Six miles off Khanderi Island Lighthouse, Bombay.

(c) One i.e. S. T. "Cheerful".

### TOURIST TRAFFIC

**840. Shri D. C. Sharma:** Will the Minister of Transport be pleased to state:

(a) the total number of tourists who

visited India from the 1st November, 1954 to the 31st January, 1955; and

(b) the total amount of foreign exchange earned thereby during this period?

**The Deputy Minister of Railways and Transport (Shri Alagesan):** (a) 8,970.

(b) The information is not available.

### AID FROM NORWAY

**841. Shri D. C. Sharma:** Will the Minister of Food and Agriculture be pleased to state:

(a) the extent of aid received from Norway during 1954; and

(b) the form in which it has been received?

**The Minister of Agriculture (Dr. P. S. Deshmukh):** (a) Rs. 6,32,000.

(b) It is in the shape of equipment, housing for the Norwegian personnel, health centre, repair shops, technical personnel and scholarships for training of Indians in Norway.

### AIR SERVICES TO SRINAGAR

**842. Th. Lakshman Singh Charak:** Will the Minister of Communications be pleased to state:

(a) the frequency of Air Services from Delhi to Jammu, Jammu to Srinagar and from Delhi to Srinagar during the period from October, 1954 to February, 1955;

(b) the number of passengers carried in each trip; and

(c) the expenditure incurred on this route during this period?

**The Deputy Minister of Communications (Shri Raj Bahadur):** (a) and (b). I lay on the Table of the Lok Sabha a statement giving the required information. [See Appendix X, annexure No. 61.]

(c) Rs. 5,76,000 approximately.