

are being surveyed near Delhi. Engineering and Traffic surveys have not yet been completed and it would be possible to indicate the cost of the lines only when survey reports are finalised.

(b) The proposed lines are primarily meant for diverting the traffic from Bombay side to Delhi-Ferozepore and Delhi-Karnal-Ambala-Amritsar routes and *vice versa*, avoiding its passing through the congested yards at New Delhi/Delhi Main.

#### Railway Employees

175. Shri D. C. Sharma : Will the Minister of Railways be pleased to state:

(a) the total number of employees of the Eastern Railway suspended during the year 1954;

(b) how many of them are still under suspension; and:

(c) the main reasons therefor?

The Deputy Minister of Railways and Transport (Shri Alagesan): (a) 841.

(b) 261.

(c) The main reasons are the cases being either under trial in the Law Courts or under investigation by the Police.

#### National Malaria Control Programme

176. Shri D. C. Sharma : Will the Minister of Health be pleased to state the measure of success achieved so far in Punjab under the National Malaria Control Programme?

The Deputy Minister of Health (Shrimati Chandrasekhar) Assessment of the anti-malaria work carried out has revealed an unprecedented reduction in the number of malaria cases in Punjab during 1954 as compared to the previous years. This is evident from the data reproduced below:

Year	No. of Malaria cases recorded in the hospitals and dispensaries of the State
1950	6,80,059
1951	5,11,775
1952	5,16,777
1953	5,08,636
1954	3,80,496

There has also been appreciable reduction in the number of fever deaths which is evident from the following data :

Year	Total number of fever deaths.
1950	2,10,961
1951	1,58,871
1952	1,63,140
1953	1,84,858
1954	1,25,055

The number of labour days lost during 1954 on account of malaria was 22,82,996 as compared to 40,80,354 during 1950.

There have been reports in regard to improved attendance of labour in factories and projects and for work in connection with the production of crops. Effective malaria control measures have been chiefly responsible for considerable increase in paddy production throughout the State and reduction of school absenteeism to the minimum in rural areas.

बाल पक्षाघात (पोलियो) गवेषणा केन्द्र, बम्बई

१७७. डा० सत्यवादी: क्या स्वास्थ्य मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) बाल पक्षाघात गवेषणा केन्द्र, बम्बई में किस प्रकार का गवेषणा कार्य अब तक किया गया है;

(ख) अब तक उस पर कितना व्यय हो चुका है; और

(ग) गवेषणा के परिणामस्वरूप बाल पक्षाघात की चिकित्सा में क्या सुधार हुये हैं ?

स्वास्थ्य उपमंत्री (श्रीमती चन्द्रशेखर):

(क), (ख) व (ग) एक विवरण सभा की मेज पर रख दिया गया है। [देखिये परिशिष्टि ३, अनुबन्ध संख्या ३८]

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१७८. श्री नवल प्रभाकर : क्या रेलवे मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या सराय रोहिल्ला और सन्धी मंडी रेलवे स्टेशनों का विस्तार करने तथा वहां शोड का व्यवस्था करने का कोई विचार है ;