

(b) if so, the reason for this slow speed;

(c) whether there is any proposal to augment its speed; and

(d) if so, from when?

**The Deputy Minister of Railways and Transport (Shri Alagesan) :**

(a) No. The time-table journey-time of the passenger trains running on the Section is 8 hours 5 minutes and that of the mixed trains varies from 8 hours 15 minutes to 9 hours 20 minutes.

(b) The speed of trains is dependent on the standard and strength of track and bridges.

(c) and (d). It will take some length of time before the works in connection with the strengthening of track and bridges which have been programmed, are completed to permit of improvement in the journey-time of trains.

**Tezpur-Rangiya Rail Line**

**504. Shri K. P. Tripathi :** Will the Minister of Railways be pleased to refer to the reply given to unstarred question No. 393 on the 22nd March, 1955 and state :

(a) whether orders have been issued for the ballasting of the railway line between Tezpur and Rangiya; and

(b) if so, when the ballasting is likely to be taken up?

**The Deputy Minister of Railways and Transport (Shri Alagesan) :**

(a) and (b) The section between Rangiya and Rangipara is already ballasted a length of 24 miles with stone and 53 with shingle. The ballasting of the section between Rangipara and Tezpur with shingle is proposed to be taken up during the next financial year.

**Improvement on Stations**

**505. Shri Kamath :** Will the Minister of Railways be pleased to state:

(a) which of the following Stations on the Central Railway—Betul, Hoshangabad, Itarsi, Sohaspur, Pipriya, Gadawara, Kavali, Narsinghpur and Goteagaon have been included in the First Five Year Plan for improvement and expansion;

(b) which of these will be taken up for improvement and expansion in the course of the Second Five Year Plan; and

(c) the main features of the improvement and expansion plan in each case?

**The Deputy Minister of Railways and Transport (Shri Alagesan) :** (a) Passenger Amenities Works have been or are being provided at all these stations in the First Five Year Plan period.

(b) The Second Five Year Plan is still to be finalised.

(c) A statement is attached [See Appendix VI, annexe No. 25]

**Agricultural Loan**

**506. Shri Dasaratha Deb :** Will the Minister of Food and Agriculture be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that some representations have been made to Government postponing the realisation of agricultural loan from the peasants of Kamalpur in Tripura this year; and

(b) if so, the steps Government propose to take in the matter?

**The Minister of Food and Agriculture (Shri A. P. Jain) :** (a) No such representation has been received.

(b) Does not arise.

**Employment Exchanges**

**507. Mulla Abdullahai :** Will the Minister of Labour be pleased to state :

(a) the number of Employment Exchanges opened recently in the Sub-Divisions of Madhya Pradesh; and

(b) the dates on which these Exchanges were opened and the basis of their location?

**The Deputy Minister of Labour (Shri Abid Ali) :** (a) None.

(b) Does not arise.

**B. C. G. in Madhya Pradesh**

**508. Mulla Abdullahai :** Will the Minister of Health be pleased to state :

(a) the number of persons who have been B.C.G. vaccinated so far in Madhya Pradesh;

(b) whether any of them has suffered from any unfavourable reaction; and

(c) whether any of them had contracted Tuberculosis?

**The Deputy Minister of Health (Shrimati Chandrasekhar) :** (a) 7,17,994.

(b) No report of any person having suffered from any unfavourable reaction has been received by Government.

(c) No reliable information is available.