

N.E.S. and Community Development Blocks

423. **Shri K. C. Sodhia** : Will the Minister of Community Development be pleased to state :

(a) the total amount of grants actually made available to each State Government for (i) community development blocks and (ii) for National Extension Service in their respective States during 1954-55 and 1955-56 respectively;

(b) what were the total amounts actually spent by each State Government on each of the two developments during the same two years; and

(c) the arrangements made (i) by the Central Government and (ii) by State Governments to inspect the working of these blocks?

The Minister of Community Development (**Shri S. K. Dey**) : (a) and (b). Two statements showing (i) the amounts paid as grant-in-aid to various States, as they existed prior to Re-organisation on account of Centre's share of expenditure on the Community Development and National Extension Service Programme during 1954-55 and 1955-56, and (ii) the expenditure actually incurred on the programme during the period, are placed on the Table [of the Lok Sabha [See Appendix III, annexure No. 20].

(c) The Administrative and the Technical Officers of this Ministry visit the States frequently and render necessary assistance to the project staff and the State Governments in the formulation and execution of the development programme. The State Governments have also made arrangements for inspection of the block areas by their own officers at the District and State levels.

Railway Protection Force

423. **Shri Bibhuti Mishra** : Will the Minister of Railways be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that Government are imparting training to Railway Protection Force in various zones;

(b) if so, the number of persons trained so far; and

(c) how far they are proving useful?

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

(b) 6806.

(c) The personnel so far trained are proving useful in satisfactorily discharging their duties.

Bombay-Delhi Janata Express

424. **Shri Kajrolkar** : Will the Minister of Railways be pleased to State :

(a) whether it is a fact that Janata Express Trains are running daily between Bombay and Delhi;

(b) if so, whether facilities for reservation of seats and sleeping berths are being provided thereon; and

(c) whether a dining car is proposed to be attached thereto for the convenience of passengers?

The Deputy Minister of Railways and Transport (**Shri Alagesan**) : (a) Yes, between Bombay Central and Delhi.

(b) A limited number of seats can be reserved by passengers travelling over 300 miles from Bombay Central and from Delhi in the Down and Up directions respectively, but sleeping accommodation is not provided on these trains.

(c) Yes.

Animal Husbandry

425. **Shri Krishnacharya Joshi** : Will the Minister of Food and Agriculture be pleased to state :

(a) the steps taken by Government to improve animal husbandry during 1956;

(b) the total number of Key village Schemes working in the country; and

(c) the results of the schemes?

The Minister of Food and Agriculture (**Shri A. P. Jain**) : (a) Government of India have approved the following schemes for implementation in 1956-57 for general animal husbandry development in the country.

1. Key Village Scheme for cattle development.
2. Gosadan Scheme.
3. Goshala Development Scheme.
4. Rehabilitation of Nomadic Cattle Breeders.
5. Cattle Shows.
6. Poultry Development.