

**The Minister of Food and Agriculture (Shri A. P. Jain):** (a) The Government of India have since agreed to render financial assistance to the Government of Rajasthan for the establishment of a new Agricultural College in that State.

(b) A grant not exceeding Rs. 17,56,500/- and a loan not exceeding Rs. 5,85,500/- has already been sanctioned for the purpose. The College started functioning at Udaipur from the academic year 1955-56.

#### Mileage of Railways in India

**172. Shri Sraddhakar Supakar:** Will the Minister of Railways be pleased to state:

(a) the State-wise distribution in mileage of railway lines in India; and

(b) how many miles of new railway lines will be constructed in each State under the Second Five Year Plan?

**The Deputy Minister of Railways (Shri Shah Nawaz Khan):** (a) Information about State-wise distribution of mileage of railway lines is not compiled. Statistics of railway mileages for each Railway Administration are collected and published annually in the Report of the Railway Board on Indian Railways—Vol. II—Statistics.

(b) The mileage of new railway lines likely to be constructed under the Second Five Year Plan is not available State-wise.

#### Railway Colony at Alambagh-Lucknow

**173. Shri Atal Bihari Vajpai:** Will the Minister of Railways be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that residential quarters situated on Vegetable Grounds, Slipper Hut Grounds and Kanansi Quarters in Railway Colony at Alambagh-Lucknow were allotted to the employees in 1948 as a temporary and emergency measure;

(b) whether it is fact that these quarters lack amenities such as water taps, electricity, latrines, bathrooms and store-rooms; and

(c) if so, the steps Government propose to take in order to make these quarters habitable?

**The Deputy Minister of Railways (Shri Shah Nawaz Khan):** (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) and (c). These quarters are short of some of the amenities and it is proposed to replace these quarters on a programme basis.

पद्मपुर में रेलवे की आउट एजेंसी

१७४. { श्री प० ला० बालपाल :  
श्री ओंकार लाल :

क्या रेलवे मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) १२ अप्रैल, १९५६ से राजस्थान में पद्मपुर में उत्तरी रेलवे की आउट एजेंसी बन्द करने के क्या कारण हैं; और

(ख) क्या यह सच है कि यद्यपि व्यापारियों की पद्मपुर की बिल्डिंगें बनी हुई थीं, किन्तु श्री गंगानगर पर ही माल उतार दिया गया और व्यापारियों से अनुचित वारफेज वसूल किया गया ?

रेलवे उपमन्त्री (श्री शाहनवाज खाँ) :

(क) पद्मपुर आउट एजेंसी के संचालन में कुछ बड़े अनियमित काम हुये जिनकी वजह से इस आउट एजेंसी के ठेकेदार का ठेका १२ अप्रैल, १९५६ से नहीं, १२ अप्रैल, १९५७ से खत्म कर दिया गया है।

(ख) जी हाँ। गलतफहमी की वजह से ऐसा हुआ और अब उसे सुधार दिया गया है।

#### Azamgarh Telephone Exchange

**175. Shri Kalka Singh:** Will the Minister of Transport and Communications be pleased to state:

(a) whether Azamgarh Town telephone exchange is directly connected with Banaras and Gorakhpur or the line of communication is obstructed by the main telephone exchange often; and

(b) what measures Government are adopting to effect a direct connection if there is no direct trunk line?

**The Minister of State in the Ministry of Transport and Communications (Shri Raj Bahadur):** (a) It is directly connected with Banaras, but not with Gorakhpur. Azamgarh-Gorakhpur calls transit at Mau. The communication is not obstructed by the Mau exchange.

(b) The traffic between Azamgarh and Gorakhpur does not justify a direct circuit.

#### Bridge over Dohrighat

**176. Shri Kalika Singh:** Will the Minister of Transport and Communications be pleased to state:

(a) whether the proposed bridge at Dohrighat on the Gorakhpur-Ghazipur-Banaras National Highway is included in the Second Five Year Plan period; and

(b) if so, what is the estimated cost?

**The Minister of State in the Ministry of Transport and Communications (Shri Raj Bahadur):** (a) Yes.

(b) Rs. 92 lakhs approximately.

#### Azamgarh Railway Station

**177. Shri Kalika Singh:** Will the Minister of Railways be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Azamgarh Station on the North Eastern Railway is being converted into a first Class Railway Station;

(b) if so, what amenities are proposed to be provided to passengers; and

(c) whether the approach road of the Railway Station would be cemented?

**The Deputy Minister of Railways (Shri Shah Nawaz Khan):** (a) There is no proposal to make any major changes.

(b) However, (i) A 300 ft. long platform shelter is under construction.

(ii) provision has been made in 1957-58 for installing hand pump in goods shed; extension of parcel office and S.Q.T. godown, and

(iii) in 1958-59 it is proposed to provide a goods office and strong room.

(c) No, Sir.

#### Minor Port of Ratnagiri

**178. Shri Premjibhai Ranchhodass Assar:** Will the Minister of Transport and Communications be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have any proposal for development of the minor Ports of Ratnagiri District (Bombay State);

(b) if so, the names of Ports; and

(c) the nature of the proposal and the decision taken thereon?

**The Minister of State in the Ministry of Transport and Communications (Shri Raj Bahadur):** (a) to (c). The development of minor ports is primarily the responsibility of the State Governments. The Central Government gives financial assistance for schemes included in the Five Year Plans. The Second Five Year Plan includes schemes for the development of the ports of Vengurla, Malvan, Vijardurg, Purnagad, Ratnagiri, Jaigad, Dabhol, Deogad, Achra, Boriya and Bankot in the Ratnagiri District (Bombay State). The works cover improvement of landing facilities, navigational aids, etc.

#### Divya Dasgaon Railway Line

**179. { Shri Assar:  
Shri Goray:**

Will the Minister of Railways be pleased to refer to the replies given to Unstarred Question No. 155 on the 25th July, 1956 and Starred Question No. 1364 on the 19th December, 1956 and state:

(a) the new Railway lines for which survey has been ordered in Bombay State;