Community Project Block. Alipur (Delhi)

1517. Shri Awasthi: Will the Minister of Community Development be pleased to state:

- (a) the amount actually sanctioned for the construction of roads in the Community Project Area, Alipur, Delhi during the year 1956-57;
- (b) what portion of the funds has been utilised;
- (c) whether it i_8 a fact that only a portion of the road from G. T. Road to village Hyderpur was metalled although funds were available for the whole work; and
 - (d) if so, the reasons therefor?

The Minister of Community Development (Shri S. K. Dey): (a) Rs. 28,620/-.

- (b) NiL
- (c) Yes.
- (d) The reason for (b) is that administrative approval to the scheme was accorded on 26th December, 1956, and the work taken up towards the end of the financial year. No Government expenditure was, therefore, incurred thereon during 1956-57. Full payment for the work is to be made curing the current financial year. As regards part (c) of the question, the policy is to spread the benefits to as large a number of villages as possible and not to grive them to one or two villages only in the Block.

Dindigal-Gudalur Railway Line

1519, Shri R. Narayanasamy: Will the Minister of Railways be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it is a fact that Government propose to include the construction of Dindigal-Gudalur Railway line in the Second Five Year Plan as per the recommendations of the Madras State Government;
- (b) whether the preliminary engineering and traffic surveys have been made; and

(c) the action so far taken in the matter?

The Minister of Rallways (Shri Jagjivan Ram): (a) No, Sir.

- (b) Surveys were conducted during the period 1946-1949.
- (c) It was found that the line would not even meet its operating expenses and was unremunerative.

Jhargram Railway Station

1526. Shri Subodh Hasda: Will the Minister of Railways be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it is a fact that a German Engineer was sent to Jhargram Railway Station, on the South-Enstern Railway to see the possibility of expanding the Jhargram Railway Station; and
- (b) if so, whether any report was given by the Engineer?

The Minister of Railways (Shri Jagjivan Ram): (a) The Ministry of Railways are not aware of any German Engineer having been sent to Jhargram Railway Station.

(b) Does not arise.

Surcharge on Tolls for use of Sues

1521. Shri Shree Narayan Das: Shri Radha Raman:

Will the Minister of Transport and Communications be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it is a fact that shipping companies using the Suez Canal have been asked by the Secretary-General, U.N. to give their opinion on his proposals for a surcharge on tolls for paying for clearance of Suez Canal; and
- (b) if so, the nature of opinions submitted by the Indian shipping companies?

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