

is not sufficient and steps are being taken to increase the same.

(b) No.

(c) No.

हिमालय क्षेत्र में बाढ़ का रोकना

६६६. श्री बिभूति मिश्र : क्या सिंचाई और बिद्युत् मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या यह सच है कि हिमालय के क्षेत्र में भ्रोक वृक्ष बाढ़ को रोकने है ; और

(ख) यदि हा, तो क्या सरकार का कोई ऐसी योजना बनाने का विचार है जिससे भ्रोक के वर्तमान वृक्ष काटे न जा सकें और ऐसे क्षेत्रों में जहां ये वृक्ष न हो इन्हें लगाया जाये ?

सिंचाई और बिद्युत् मंत्री (श्री स० का० पाटिल) : (क) नदियों के बाह्यक्षेत्रों में उगने वाले भ्रोक वृक्ष ही नहीं वरन् अथ वृक्ष और पौधे भूमि में विशेष तत्वों को मिला कर उसकी शोषण क्षमता को बढ़ाते हुये उसकी रचना में सुधार कर सकते हैं, जिससे बहाव कम हो जाता है। किन्तु भूमि के पूरी तरह से तर हो जाने के बाद, वृक्षों और पौधों का अति बाढ़ बहाव पर कोई महत्वपूर्ण प्रभाव नहीं पड़ता।

(ख) उत्तर नकारात्मक है।

Telephone Directories

1000. Shri V. C. Shukla: Will the Minister of Transport and Communications be pleased to state whether Government have considered the desirability of arranging subject matter of telephone directories in a uniform manner to enhance facility of reference?

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

Passenger Sheds

1001. Shri Basumatari: Will the Minister of Railways be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are aware that when the Deputy Minister for

Railways visited Assam, a delegation submitted to him a memorandum pressing for the provision of passenger waiting sheds in important railway stations such as Barpeta Road, Tihu, Nalbari, Kokrajhar and Fakiragram etc; and

(b) if so, whether Government are contemplating the provision of these essential passenger facilities in the Assam Link Railway Stations?

The Deputy Minister of Railways (Shri Shah Nawaz Khan): (a) Representations regarding provision of passenger amenities, in general, were submitted to the Deputy Minister for Railways during his tour of Assam, but no memorandum regarding these particular stations was received by him

(b) A statement is laid on the Table of the Lok Sabha [See Appendix III, annexure No. 34]

हिमाचल प्रदेश में विभ्राम गृहों के चौकीदार

१००२ श्री पद्म बेध . क्या साक्ष तथा कृषि मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या सरकार को यह विदित है कि हिमाचल प्रदेश के वन तथा लोक-निर्माण विभागों में द्वितीय श्रेणी के विभ्राम गृहों के चौकीदारों का वेतन केवल २२ ५० रुपये है ,

(ख) क्या सरकार को यह भी विदित है कि इन चौकीदारों को वहां सदा उपस्थित रहना पड़ता है ;

(ग) क्या सरकार उनकी वेतन-वृद्धि पर विचार कर रही है , और

(घ) यदि हा, तो यह कब तक किया जायेगा ?

साक्ष तथा कृषि मंत्री (श्री अ० प्र० जैन) . (क) जी नहीं।

(ख) जी हा।

(क) तथा (घ). वन के विश्राम गृहों (Rest Houses) और सी० पी० डब्ल्यू० डी० (C. P. W. D.) विश्राम गृहों के बीकीदारों के वर्तमान वेतन स्केल (Scale) जो कि अभी हाल में अर्थात् १-३-१९५७ को रिवाइज्ड (Revised) किये गये, क्रमशः २७- $\frac{1}{4}$ -३२ और २५- $\frac{1}{4}$ -२७ है, इसके साथ हिमाचल प्रदेश में आम तौर पर मिलने वाले सब भत्ते और विश्राम गृहों के आउट-हाउसेज (out-houses) में मुफ्त निवास स्थान दिया जाता है। वर्तमान दशा में कोई वेतन वृद्धि का विचार नहीं है।

Marketing and Warehousing Schemes in West Bengal

1003. **Shrimati Renu Chakravartty:** Will the Minister of Food and Agriculture be pleased to refer to the reply given to Starred Question No. 1408 on the 3rd September, 1957 and state:

(a) whether schemes relating to marketing and warehousing have since been received from the West Bengal Government,

(b) the number and location of warehouses in the State;

(c) the number and type of marketing societies proposed; and

(d) the total amount sanctioned under these heads of warehousing and marketing?

The Minister of Food and Agriculture (Shri A. P. Jain): (a) The Scheme relating to Cooperative Marketing has been received. The scheme concerning the establishment of State Warehousing Corporation is still awaited.

(b) The warehouses of Central Warehousing Corporation viz., one at Midnapore and the other at Cooch-Bihar are proposed during the year 1957-58.

(c) 21. This includes seven marketing societies of the primary type and one apex marketing society to

be newly organised and 13 marketing societies to be reorganized during the year 1957-58.

(d) An amount of Rs. 11.29 lakhs is approved for marketing schemes. No amount has been sanctioned for Warehousing Corporation of the State so far.

First Aid Boxes on N.E. Railway

1004. **Pandit D. N. Tiwary:** Will the Minister of Railways be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the 'first aid' boxes maintained on trains have generally no stock therein especially on the North Eastern Railway; and

(b) if the answer to part (a) above be in the affirmative, the action taken in the matter?

The Deputy Minister of Railways (Shri Shahnawaz Khan): (a) No.

(b) Does not arise

Freight Charges on Ambala-Nahan Route

1005. **Shri Y. S. Parmar:** Will the Minister of Transport and Communications be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is a marked difference between the freight charged by the private operators and Himachal Pradesh Government Transport between Ambala and Nahan; and

(b) if so, what?

The Minister of State in the Ministry of Transport and Communications (Shri Raj Bahadur): (a) and (b). As the Himachal Government Transport are not operating any goods vehicles between Ambala and Nahan, the question of difference in freight rates does not arise.

Sholapur Station

1006. **Shri Sugandhi:** Will the Minister of Railways be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Sholapur Station of the Central Railway has been built anew;