

Sabha. [See Appendix III, annexure No. 85].

(c) These recommendations will be implemented by the Indian Central Sugarcane Committee and not the Government.

(d) and (e). Do not arise.

Cardamom Plantations

1000. **Shri R. Narayanasami:** Will the Minister of Food and Agriculture be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Government propose to encourage the plantation of cardamom in Andaman Island; and

(b) if so, the total area to be brought under plantation there?

The Minister of Food and Agriculture (Shri A. P. Jain): (a) and (b). As experiments with cardamom cultivation conducted previously have proved unsuccessful, it is not proposed to undertake any large scale cultivation of cardamom in Andaman and Nicobar Islands. The Agriculture Department of the Islands will, however, continue to conduct small scale experiments as part of its normal work.

Road Regulator Bridge over Krishna River

1010. **Shri P. S. Murthy:** Will the Minister of Transport and Communications be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Regulator-oum-Road Bridge on Krishna river at Bezwada has been completed; and

(b) the total extra expenditure incurred over the final estimates?

The Minister of State in the Ministry of Transport and Communications (Shri Raj Bahadur): (a) No, Sir. The work is however very nearly completed. Progress up to end of October 1957 was 95%.

(b) Anticipated expenditure about Rs. 55.58 lakhs against sanctioned estimate of Rs. 39.80 lakhs.

Ticketless Travel

1011. { **Shri Hem Raj:**
Shri Daljit Singh:

Will the Minister of Railways be pleased to state:

(a) the number of ticketless travellers in 1956-57 and upto the end of October, 1957 in the Delhi and Ferozepur Division of the Northern Railways and

(b) the categories of the travellers who were mainly involved in this evasion of the Railway revenue?

The Deputy Minister of Railways (Shri Shah Nawaz Khan): (a) The number of passengers detected travelling entirely without tickets in the year 1956-57 and upto the end of October in the year 1957 is as under:-

Delhi Division	Ferozepur Division	
1956-57	84,340	1,31,674
April '57 to October '57	56,009	55,398

(b) Statistics of ticketless travellers are not maintained according to categories, and no perponderance of any particular category was noted.

Allowances to Running Staff

1012 { **Shri Hem Raj:**
Shri Daljit Singh:

Will the Minister of Railways be pleased to state:

(a) the amount and rate of current monthly running allowances paid to different categories of the running staff on the Northern Railway;

(b) the names of different categories of running staff on the Northern Railway;

(c) the category under which the Special Ticket Examiners are classified; and

(d) the rate of monthly Travelling Allowance paid to the Special Ticket Examiners on Northern Railway?