

to the Members of Parliament along with the Budget papers for 1956-57.

### Locomotives

**229. Shri S. M. Banerjee:** Will the Minister of Railways be pleased to state the present cost of per locomotive produced in Chittaranjan Locomotive Works?

**The Deputy Minister of Railways (Shri Shah Nawaz Khan):** The average cost of manufacture of a W.G. Locomotive during the year 1956-57 was Rs. 4.08 lakhs excluding dividend charges.

### Kangra Valley Rail Track

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

Will the Minister of Railways be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is proposed to shift the Rail Track of the Kangra Valley Section Railway line between Jawan-wala Shahar and Guler Station;

(b) if so, the reasons for the change; and

(c) the probable cost to be incurred thereon and when the work will commence?

**The Deputy Minister of Railways (Shri Shah Nawaz Khan):** (a) No. Sir.

(b) and (c). Do not arise.

### Jaipur Post Office

**231. Shri B. C. Mullick:** Will the Minister of Transport and Communications be pleased to refer to the reply given to the Unstarred Question No. 339 on the 29th July, 1957 and state:

(a) whether the construction of Jaipur Head Post Office building has since been started; and

(b) if not, the reasons for the delay?

**The Minister of Transport and Communications (Shri Lal Bahadur Shastri):** (a) No.

(b) C. P. W. D. authorities have been unable to get a contractor for its execution despite repeated calls for tenders. The question of entrusting the work to State P.W.D. is under consideration.

### Rural Co-operatives

**232. Shri Shree Narayan Das:** Will the Minister of Food and Agriculture be pleased to refer to the reply given to Starred Question No. 1259 on the 22nd September, 1954 and state:

(a) whether the scope and functions of any of the Extension Training Centres have been enlarged so as to provide instructions to farmers living in the vicinity in new developments in Agriculture and in the formation of rural Co-operatives;

(b) if so, the number of farmers who have received such instructions so far and the centres which have been doing this work; and

(c) whether the services of those instructors who were sent to Denmark for study are being utilised in the manner suggested in the scheme?

**The Minister of Food and Agriculture (Shri A. P. Jain):** (a) No. Not at present. The extension Training Centres are still entirely engaged in training Village Level Workers who bring the latest information on agriculture and other allied subjects to the Villagers.

(b) Does not arise.

(c) In view of the information given above, the services of most instructors are being utilised at the Extension Training Centres to train the Gram Sewaks for their job of helping the farmers and other Village people to improve and better organise farming and other local rural occupations.

### National Highways in Punjab

**233. Shri D. C. Sharma:** Will the Minister of Transport and Communications be pleased to state:

(a) the mileage of National Highways running in Punjab State (route-wise); and