

(c) since when that Institute has been functioning?

The Minister of Community Development (Shri S. K. Dey): (a) Not yet, but it is hoped to open the Institute within the next three months

(b) Mussoorie

(c) Does not arise

#### Bridge on River Digaru

961. Shrimati Mafida Ahmed: Will the Minister of Transport and Communications be pleased to state

(a) whether it is a fact that crossing of foot traffic and transport of other essential commodities over the River Digaru on Lahit Valley Road to and from the District Head Office at Tezu is done by elephants and vehicular traffic over the River remains suspended during rainy seasons, and

(b) if so, whether Government have any proposal to construct an all weather Bridge over the River?

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

(b) It is proposed to construct an all weather Bridge over the river. The design of the bridge is under preparation and the work will be undertaken during the current plan if sufficient funds are available

#### Dairies in Delhi

962. Shri B. C. Mullick: Will the Minister of Health be pleased to state

(a) the number of dairies in Delhi,

(b) the total number of cattle in Delhi,

(c) whether there is any proposal to shift the dairies beyond the municipal limits, and

(d) whether there is any interim proposal to improve the sanitary and hygienic condition of these dairies?

The Minister of Health (Shri Kar-makar): (a) 3718.

(b) 20,680 approximately

(c) Yes, Sir. It is proposed to set up a cattle colony in the suburb of Delhi where 3000 milch animals with their young stock and owners will be accommodated

(d) Pending establishment of the cattle colony, every effort is being made by the local bodies concerned to ensure that sanitary and hygienic conditions are maintained in the dairies. Necessary action is taken against the defaulters under the provisions of the Punjab Municipal Act. In addition to this, the New Delhi Municipal Committee has under consideration a proposal for the construction of temporary cattle byres at certain sites to house unauthorised dairies in hygienic conditions till such time as the cattle colony is established

#### Thefts on Railways

963. Shri Madhusudan Rao: Will the Minister of Railways be pleased to state

(a) how many cases of wagon breaking and theft of properties were reported during the years 1956 and 1957 on the Indian Railways;

(b) the total value of properties lost during these years as a result thereof; and

(c) whether Government are considering any steps to ensure greater safety of the properties?

The Deputy Minister of Railways (Shri Shahnawaz Khan): (a) and (b) A statement is laid on the Table of the Lok Sabha [See Appendix IV, annexure No 73]

(c) With a view to guarding against such thefts the Railway Administrations are already adopting preventive measures some of which are given below:—

(i) double rivetting and E.P. locking of wagons containing valuable commodities;