

(b) whether it is also a fact that a Departmental Enquiry Committee was instituted;

(c) if so, the findings of the Committee; and

(d) the action taken thereon?

The Deputy Minister of Railways (Shri Shahnawaz Khan): (a) Yes. 2 sheets (4 pages) were removed from Cash Book by the Imprest Clerk, Shri R. H. Kewalramani.

(b) Yes.

(c) The findings of the Committee are placed on the Table of the House. [See Appendix VI, annexure No. 112].

(d) Disciplinary action against the accused employee is in progress.

Kosi Bridge

2993. Shri S. A. Mehdi: Will the Minister of Railways be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Railway Administration has constructed a pukka spur near the Kosi bridge just off Rampur Station due to which the danger of the river being diverted towards the city has increased; and

(b) if so, the action Government propose to take in the matter?

The Deputy Minister of Railways (Shri S. V. Ramaswamy): (a) No, Sir. Some repairs were carried out to the left Guide bund of the Railway bridge, which is in existence for the last 50 years.

(b) Does not arise.

Bahuda River Project in Orissa

Will the Minister of Railways be Minister of Irrigation and Power be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the Government of Orissa have sent plans and the estimates of the Bahuda River Project in the Ganjam District (Orissa) for approval and sanction; and

(b) what is the estimated cost of the project?

The Deputy Minister of Irrigation and Power (Shri Hathl): (a) The answer is in the negative. Preliminary investigations have been made by the Government of Orissa and the preliminary project report is under examination of the State Government.

(b) The cost is estimated to be about Rs. 2.72 crores.

N.R. Oak Grove School, Jharipani

2995. Shri Ganpati Ram: Will the Minister of Railways be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the post of Principal in Northern Railway Oak Grove School, Jharipani (Mussoori Hills) is being held by Railway Officers of the Traffic Department who have no experience of school management;

(b) whether it is a fact that the Principals are sent on temporary basis for a few months; and

(c) the action Government propose to take in the matter?

The Deputy Minister of Railways (Shri Shahnawaz Khan): (a) and (b). The post of Principal has been held, from time to time, by suitable Railway officers.

(c) The Union Public Service Commission were asked to recruit a Principal and they have already nominated a candidate who is likely to join the post shortly.

Railways Stores

2996. Shrimati Parvathi Krishnan: Will the Minister of Railways be pleased to state:

(a) at what intervals stores in Railway Stores Depot are checked; and

(b) whether there is any system of surprise checks by Accounts Stock-verifiers at the Depots?