

रेलवे उपलब्धी (श्री शम्भुदास जाँ) :
(क) और (ख). एक बवाल सभा पटल पर
रख दिया गया है। [बेल्जिमे परिषद ५,
अनुसूचक सभा ५३].

Tube-Wells in Bombay

2446. **Shri M. B. Thakore:** Will the Minister of Food and Agriculture be pleased to state what was the total sum allocated to the Government of Bombay for construction of tube-wells in the Gujerat area in the years 1956-57 and 1957-58?

The Minister of Food and Agriculture (Shri A. P. Jain): The total sum sanctioned to the Government of Bombay for construction of tube-wells for irrigation purposes in the North Gujerat area in the years 1956-57 and 1957-58 were Rs. 20.00 lakhs and Rs. 75.00 lakhs, respectively.

Indamer Air Company

2447. **Shri Halder:** Will the Minister of Transport and Communications be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the same officials who were punished for irregularities in the management of Indamer and Company were now absorbed in Messrs. Kalinga Air Lines; and

(b) if so, the reasons therefor?

The Deputy Minister of Civil Aviation (Shri Mohiuddin): (a) Some of the pilots and engineers who were warned and against whom action was taken by the Director General of Civil Aviation for certain irregularities committed by them while in the service of the Indamer Company are at present reported to be in the employ of Kalinga Airlines.

(b) The punishment awarded to the pilots and engineers concerned did not contemplate that they would be debarred from being employed.

Cattle in Tripura

2448. **Shri Bangshi Thakur:** Will the Minister of Food and Agriculture be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that due to break out of epidemic, cows and bullocks of Asharambari area of Khowai, Tripura are dying in large numbers resulting in hardship to the farmers; and

(b) if so, what steps Government have taken so far to remedy this situation?

The Minister of Food and Agriculture (Shri A. P. Jain): (a) and (b). The information has been called for from the Tripura Administration and will be placed on the Table of the Sabha as soon as it is available.

Hostels for Children of Railway Employees

2449. **Sardar Iqbal Singh:** Will the Minister of Railways be pleased to state:

(a) how far the proposal to set up the subsidised hostels for the children of railway employees in Northern Railway has progressed;

(b) whether sites have been selected;

(c) how many students can be provided in these hostels;

(d) what would be the estimated cost of construction of these hostels; and

(e) the educational institutions that could be availed of by the students residing in these hostels?

The Deputy Minister of Railways (Shri Shah Nawaz Khan): (a) A permanent hostel will be built in due course at Charbagh, Lucknow. Plans and estimates are under verification. Meanwhile a grainshop building at Alambagh, Lucknow will serve as a temporary hostel for a limited number from July 1959.

(b) Yes.

(c) 199 in the permanent hostel and 60 in the temporary hostel to function from July, 1959.

(d) Rs. 3 lakhs for the permanent hostel. Minor alterations are needed for the temporary hostel.

(e) High schools, Intermediate Colleges, University College, Technical Institutions, Medical College etc at Lucknow.

Loss of Funds from Post Offices in Punjab

2450. Sardar Iqbal Singh: Will the Minister of Transport and Communications be pleased to state the total amount reported missing from different Post Offices in Punjab Circle during 1955-56?

The Minister of State in the Ministry of Transport and Communications (Shri Raj Bahadur): Rs. 17,469.39 nP.

Advisory Committees of the Ministry of Food and Agriculture

2451. Sardar Iqbal Singh: Will the Minister of Food and Agriculture be pleased to state the total expenditure incurred by the various advisory committees constituted by the Ministry of Food and Agriculture in the year 1958-59?

The Minister of Food and Agriculture (Shri A. P. Jain): A statement containing the information about expenditure incurred in the calendar year 1958 is laid on the Table of the Sabha. [See Appendix V, annexure No. 54.]

Public Call Offices in Punjab Circle

2452. Sardar Iqbal Singh: Will the Minister of Transport and Communications be pleased to state the names of places in Punjab Circle where Public Call Offices have been opened so far since 1955-56, year-wise?

The Minister of State in the Ministry of Transport and Communications (Shri Raj Bahadur): A statement is laid on the Table of the Sabha. [See Appendix V, annexure, No. 55.]

Diesel Cars on Northern Railway

2453. Sardar Iqbal Singh: Will the Minister of Railways be pleased to state:

(a) the number of diesel cars running on the Northern Railway at present;

(b) whether any representation has been made to run a diesel car on Bhatinda-Hindumalkot line; and

(c) if so, the action taken thereon?

The Deputy Minister of Railways (Shri Shah Nawaz Khan): (a) One coupled unit of two diesel rail cars is, at present running on the New Delhi-Faridabad, New Delhi-Sonepat, Delhi-Shakurbasti sections.

(b) and (c). No. It is also not feasible to run a diesel car service on this section due to the fact that while the diesel rail cars cannot run in their top gear at speeds less than 45 to 50 miles an hour, the maximum permissible speed on the Bhatinda Hindumalkot section is only 35 miles per hour.

Railway Dispensaries in Ferozpur Division

2454. Sardar Iqbal Singh: Will the Minister of Railways be pleased to state:

(a) the average daily attendance of outdoor patients in the Railway dispensaries of Ferozepore Division in the Northern Railway; and

(b) the number of Assistant Surgeons working in each of the above dispensaries?