(iii) Calcium Ammonium Nitrate 1,000 tons

Further supplies to tea plantations are under consideration.

Road Projects in Punjab

- 1822. Shri Daljit Singh: Will the Minister of Transport and Communications be pleased to state:
- (a) the names of road projects which were approved to be constructed in Punjab during the Second Five Year Plan period with financial assistance from Central Road Fund; and
- (b) how many of these have been completed so far?

The Minister of State in the Ministry of Transport and Communications (Shri Raj Bahadur): (a) A statement is laid on the Table. [See Appendix III, annexure No. 49].

(b) The work on the projects, which is being executed by the Punjab Public Works Department, is in progress. But no project has so far been completed.

Mobile Postal Service

- 1823. Shri Madhusudan Rao: Will the Minister of Transport and Communications be pleased to state:
- (a) the names of the places where mobile postal service is provided; and
- (b) the names of the places where this service will be provided by the end of the 2nd Five Year Plan period?

The Minister of Transport and Communications (Dr. P. Subbarayan): (a) Bombay, Calcutta, Delhi, Madras and Nagpur.

(b) It is not proposed to extend the service to any other place at present.

Railway Concessions

1824. Shri Warior: Will the Minister Railways be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Ministry have received any requests from the Haj Pilgrims Committee of Malabar, Kerala State, for special concessions and accommodation on Railways from Kerala to Bombay; and

(b) if so, the steps Government have taken thereon?

The Deputy Minister of Railways (Shri Shahnawaz Khan): (a) and (b). No re-request for concession has been received. A request for the provision of special coaches for Haj Pilgrims of Malabar from Cannanore to Bombay in March, 1961 has been received by the Southern Railway and is under examination by them.

Ex-Grainshop Employees

1825. Shri H. N. Mukerjee: Shri Tangamani:

Will the Minister of Railways be pleased to refer to the reply given to Unstarred Question No. 2543 on the 26th April, 1960 and state whether revised, instructions on the subject of Eastern Railway's ex-grainshop employees in regard to the absorption of surplus staff and determination of their seniority have since been issued?

The Deputy Minister of Railways (Shri Shahnawaz Khan): The matter is still under consideration.

Derailment near Paricha Station

- 1826. Shri Surya Prasad: Will the Minister of Railways be pleased to state:
- (a) whether it is a fact that a goods train was derailed at Paricha Railway station on Jhansi-Kanpur section, Central Railway, in the 2nd week of October, 1960; and
- (b) if so, the damage suffered and the cause of this derailment?

The Deputy Minister of Railways (Shri S. V. Ramaswamy): (a) Yes, on 13th October 1960.

(b) Rupees six hundred approximately. The derailment was due to failure of railway staff.