

**Central Seed Corporation**

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 Shri Nek Ram Negi;  
 Shri Ram Krishan Gupta;  
 Shri P. C. Borooah;  
 Shri Bibhuti Mishra;  
 Shri Aurobindo Ghosal;  
 Shri Chuni Lal;

Will the Minister of Food and Agriculture be pleased to state at what stage is the proposal to set up a seed—multiplication corporation to promote the production of improved seeds in the country?

**The Minister of Agriculture (Dr. P. S. Deshmukh):** The proposal for setting up an Improved Seeds Corporation has been approved in principle. The Memorandum of Association and the Articles of Association of the Corporation have been drawn up and are under scrutiny.

**World Bank Loan for Railways**

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 Shri Chuni Lal;  
 Shri Ram Krishan Gupta;  
 Shri D. C. Sharma;  
 Shri Pangarkar;

Will the Minister of Railways be pleased to refer to the reply given to Starred Question No. 1211 on the 30th March, 1961 and state:

(a) whether the negotiations with the World Bank for the loan for Indian Railways have since been concluded; and

(b) if so, the result thereof?

**The Deputy Minister of Railways (Shri S. V. Ramaswamy):** (a) No negotiations have yet been started with the World Bank for the loan for Indian Railways.

(b) Does not arise.

**Cancer**

\*144. **Shri Indrajit Gupta:** Will the Minister of Health be pleased to state:

(a) the number of cases of cancer treated in Government hospitals in India during 1960;

(b) whether the number shows a rising trend;

(c) whether an increase in lung cancer may be expected along with growing industrial development; and

(d) steps proposed to be taken to safeguard industrial workers from cancer?

**The Minister of Health (Shri Karmarkar):** (a) The requisite information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the Sabha in due course.

(b) It is not possible to say definitely whether cancer is on the increase, as accurate information about the incidence of cancer is not available.

(c) There is no reason to believe that there will be an increase of cancer of lung with growing industrial development.

(d) Medical Officers in charge of industrial workers take necessary steps in this direction.

**Suri Transmission**

\*145. **Shri H. C. Heda:** Will the Minister of Railways be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Japan has declined to grant a patent for the Suri Transmission invention by Mr. M. M. Suri;

(b) the names of the countries that have granted such a patent for this invention;

(c) the reasons that Japan has forwarded for declining to grant the patent; and

(d) the action proposed to be taken in the matter?

**The Deputy Minister of Railways (Shri Shah Nawaz Khan):** (a) Yes, for the present.

(b) India, U.K., U.S.A., Czechoslovakia, West Germany, Canada, Australia, Italy and France.

(c) According to the Japanese Patent Office, the invention of Shri