

ther out-agencies at these 12 places will be opened during 1961-62 or opened at all. Also, it is possible that out-agencies at other places may be opened during this year.

Waiting Room for Third Class Women Passengers at Kota

1905. Shri Onkar Lal: Will the Minister of Railways be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that there is no provision for separate waiting room for third class women passengers at Kota Station; and

(b) if so, the reasons therefor?

The Deputy Minister of Railways (Shri S. V. Ramaswamy): (a) and (b). A waiting room for use of lady passengers holding tickets of all classes is available at Kota station and a separate waiting room for lady passengers holding III class tickets is not therefore considered necessary.

Survey for Laying Pipeline at Salpura Station

1906. Shri Onkar Lal: Will the Minister of Railways be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that a survey is going on at Salpura station on Western Railway from Kota to Bina for laying a pipeline at Salpura station from Andheri river;

(b) whether there is a complaint regarding non-availability of pure and filtered drinking water at Salpura station; and

(c) if so, the action taken so far?

The Deputy Minister of Railways (Shri S. V. Ramaswamy): (a) No, Sir.

(b) Yes.

(c) At present water is brought to the station from the Andheri river and strained through clean muslin cloth before being supplied. Provision of a 4" dia tube-well with hand pump has been sanctioned and is expected to be completed by the end of

the financial year. If the tube-well proves successful then there will be no need to bring water from the river.

Passenger Amenities at Kota

1907. Shri Onkar Lal: Will the Minister of Railways be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the first and second class waiting rooms at Kota station on the Western Railway are very small and other amenities are also not available there; and

(b) if so, the new improvements in the passenger amenities proposed to be made at this station?

The Deputy Minister of Railways (Shri S. V. Ramaswamy) (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

Iron and Steel Allotted to Rajasthan for Agricultural Purposes

1908. Shri Onkar Lal: Will the Minister of Food and Agriculture be pleased to state:

(a) the quantity of iron and steel demanded by and allotted to Rajasthan for agricultural purposes for the year 1960-61; and

(b) the steps taken to supply the allotted quota?

The Minister of Agriculture (Dr. P. S. Deshmukh): (a) Demand and allotment of iron and steel to Rajasthan for agricultural purposes including scrap during 1960-61 were 36,108 and 23,792 tonnes respectively.

(b) The State Governments distribute the Agricultural quota allotted to them to the Registered Stockists, who place indents on the Iron and Steel Controller, Calcutta. He then plans those indents on the producers for compliance, according to the priority accorded to the different types of consumers. With a view to expedite supplies, the iron and steel required for agricultural purposes except Galvanised Corrugated Sheets has been accorded 'CORE PRIORITY'.