

Efforts to find a contractor are being continued by the S.E. Railway.

Rayagada-Jeypore Telephone Link

1667. **Shri Ulaka:** Will the Minister of Transport and Communications be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that there is no direct telephone line between Rayagada and Jeypore in Koraput (Orissa); and

(b) if so, by what time direct telephone line would be established?

The Deputy Minister in the Ministry of Transport and Communications (Shri Bhagavati): (a) Yes.

(b) The proposal is under examination and a direct circuit will be arranged if found justified.

Training in Nursing

1668. **Shri Ravindra Varma:** Will the Minister of Health be pleased to state:

(a) the number of trainees who have been sent abroad during the Second Five Year Plan period under the T.C.M. and other schemes for higher training in nursing and the teaching of nursing;

(b) how many of these were in Government service when they were selected for higher training;

(c) how many of these trainees continue to be employed in the nursing profession after their return from training abroad;

(d) how many of these have been posted in departments other than that of their special study; and

(e) how many of these trainees have left the nursing profession during or on the completion of their training abroad?

The Deputy Minister in the Ministry of Health (Dr. D. S. Raju): (a) to (e). The information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the Sabha in due course.

Jangaon Station

1669. **Shri E. Madhusudan Rao:** Will the Minister of Railways be pleased to state:

(a) the progress in remodelling of Jangaon station in Andhra Pradesh so far;

(b) whether the construction of an over-bridge at the station has also been taken up; and

(c) when the above works are expected to be completed?

The Deputy Minister in the Ministry of Railways (Shri Shah Nawaz Khan):

(a) There is no proposal to remodel the Jangaon station at present. The Railway administration, however, is proposing to provide the following passenger amenities at the station:

- (i) Waiting hall extension.
- (ii) Platform paving.
- (iii) Drinking water facilities.
- (iv) High Power lights.
- (v) Platform extension and covering.

(b) No. The matter rests with the State Government, who have not made any firm proposals in this matter.

(c) The amenities works listed above will be taken up shortly and completed as quickly as possible.

Waiting Room and Enquiry Office at Mehboobabad

1670. **Shri E. Madhusudan Rao:** Will the Minister of Railways be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have accepted any proposal to have a ladies waiting room and enquiry office at Mehboobabad station in Andhra Pradesh;

(b) whether there is any proposal to remodel the station; and

(c) if so, the details of the work to be undertaken?