एक साथ ६ गांवों में कार्य चल रहा है, मत: इस समय यह ठीक रूप से नहीं कहा जा सकता कि यदि कार्य का विस्तार इन सब गांवों तक भी कर दिया जाये तो बाकी १६ गांवों में किस समय तक चकबन्दी हो जायेगी।

यद्यपि उपरोक्त कारणों से कार्य रोक देना पड़ा था परन्तु यह नहीं कहा जा सकता कि इनमें से किसी गांव में योजना असफल हो गई है।

Electrification of Railway Line

964. Shri S. C. Samanta: Shri Subodh Hansda:

Will the Minister of Railways be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it is a fact that only fifteen stations out of twenty-eight are at present being remodelled for the electrification of Railway line from Howrah to Khargpur in South Eastern Railway;
- (b) if so, when the remaining stations will be taken up; and
- (c) what associated P. & T. works are being done at present?

The Deputy Minister in the Ministry of Railways (Shri S. V. Ramaswamy): (a) and (b). Remodelling works are in progress on seventeen stations at present. Work on remaining stations will be taken up along with the construction of third line between Tikapara and Kharagpur.

(c) Existing overhead telecommunication lines running parallel to the railway track will be replaced by undeground cables.

Railway Bridge at Kolaghat

965. Shri S. C. Samanta: Shri Subodh Hansda:

Will the Minister of Railways be pleased to state:

(a) whether the construction of a new Railway bridge on the Rupna-

- rayan river at Kolaghat has commenced:
- (b) the estimated cost of the bridge; and
- (c) the defects found in the old Railway bridge?

The Deputy Minister in the Ministry of Railways (Shri S. V. Ramaswamy): (a) No.

- (b) Rs. 3 crores approximately.
- (c) There is no defect in the existing Railway bridge. The new bridge is being provided for the third line being constructed between Howrah and Panchkura. The girders of the existing Down line bridge however are weak for the present day loading and hence are proposed to be regirdered after completion of the new bridge.

Tourist Restaurant at Qutab, Delhi

966. Shri Surendra Pal Singh: Shri P. C. Borooah:

Will the Minister of Transport and Communications be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the opening of a tourist restaurant at Qutab, Delhi has been held up, in spite of the fact that the building for the new restaurant was constructed as a Second Plan Project; and
 - (b) if so, the reasons therefor?

The Minister of Shipping in the Ministry of Transport and Communications (Shri Raj Bahadur): (a) and (b). The construction of a Restaurant at Qutab was a Second Plan Project completed during the Current Plan as a spill-over Scheme. The Building, complete in all respects, was taken over from the CPWD on 13-3-1963. Meanwhile, notices inviting were issued to twelve Caterers of repute in New Delhi but no offer was received from any of them. Tenders were again invited from sixteen Caterers Restaurateurs of New Delhi and the offer of one, out of the three who quoted, was accepted. When this tenderer realized that the existing Caterer at Qutab operating from the verandah of the Dak Bungalow could not be evicted, he refused to iplement the contract. His contract has been terminated. Another suitable caterer has been found, and he is expected to start running this Restaurant during the first week of September, 1963.

विल्ली में यमुना पर पुल

्रियी प्रकाशवीर शास्त्री : १६७ े श्री भरत दर्शन :

क्या परिवहन तथा संचार मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

- (क) दिल्ली में वजीराबाद के निकट बमुना पर जो दूसरा पुल बन रहा हैं वह कब तक वालू हो सकेगा ;
- (ख) इसके प्रतिरिक्त हुमायूं के मकवरें के पास दिल्ली में जो ग्रन्थ पुल बन रहा है, जसके कब तक पूरा हो जाने की संभावना है; ग्रीर
- (ग) वजीराबाद के पास बने पुल पर कुल मिलाकर कितना व्यय हुन्ना है ?

परिवहन तथा संचार मंत्रालय में नौवहन मंत्री (श्री राज बहाबुर) : (क) वजीराबाद पुल का काम पूरा हो चुका है। उस पर पहुंच मार्ग तैयार किये जा रहे हैं श्रीर श्राशा की जाती है कि पुल यातायात के लिए शीघ्र ही खोल दिया जायेगा। फिर भी २३—८—६३ को पुल एक गली यातायात के लिए श्रस्थायी तौर पर खोल दिया गया है जिस से रेल व सड़क के मौजूदा पुल की एक गली की जरूरी मरम्मत की जा सके।

(ख) हुमायूं के मकबरे के पास वाले पुल के बनाने का काम ग्राप्रैल, १६६१ में एक ठेंकेदार को दे दिया गया था । ठकेदार द्वारा कुछ ग्रतिरिक्त मांग करने के कारण फिर से ताज टेंडर मांगना जरूरी हो गया । इस कार्य में रुची रखने वाले विभिन्न लोगों से ताजे टेंडर ग्राभी मिले हैं ग्रीर उनकी जांच पड़ताल की जा रही है। इस वर्ष पुल के बनाने का काम शुरू कर दिया जायेगा भौर काम के शुरू होने से लगभग तीन वर्षों में उसके पूरा हो जाने की भाशा है।

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Kerala Postal Circle

968. Shri Imbichibava: Will the Minister of Transport and Communications be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the question of raising the status of the Kerala Postal Circle to a major Circle has been considered by Government; and
- (b) if so, the decision taken thereon?

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

(b) The status-quo is to be maintained for the present.

Sugar for Kerala

969. { Shri Warior: Shri Vasudevan Nair:

Will the Minister of Food and Agriculture be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Government had released any sugar stocks to Kerala State after the Sugar Control Order was issued;
- (b) whether the Kerala Government had requested for more supplies; and
- (c) if so, the reaction of Government thereto?

The Deputy Minister in the Ministry of Food and Agriculture (Shri A. M. Thomas): (a) to (c). Yes, Sir, on the basis of a monthly quota of 6,000 tonnes. Having regard to overall availability, it was not possible to give more supplies.