

### Chupra Kacheri Station

1387. **Shri D. N. Tiwary:** Will the Minister of Railways be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the boundary wall built recently at Chupra Kacheri Station (N.E.) with kachha drainage has resulted in accumulation of water on the roads specially on feeder roads leading to the station;

(b) whether Government are aware that even a medium and mild shower makes the road impassable and passengers have to wade through knee-deep water to go to the station; and

(c) the steps proposed to be taken to remove the defects?

**The Deputy Minister in the Ministry of Railways (Shri S. V. Ramaswamy):** (a) No, the boundary wall which has been constructed to prevent further encroachment of railway land does not cause accumulation of water, as a drain has been provided outside the wall.

(b) As the road side land is used by buses for parking and as a terminus, it has become difficult for the Railway to maintain the road properly. The Railway has repeatedly urged the Civil authorities to get the area cleared but without any effect.

(c) It has been decided to relinquish the road to the State Government for its proper maintenance.

**अल्मोड़ा और पिथौरागढ़ में तार और टेलीफोन सेवायें**

१३८८. **श्री मोहन स्वल्प:** क्या डाक और तार मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या यह सच है कि सरकार अल्मोड़ा और पिथौरागढ़ में तार और टेलीफोन सेवा के बारे में कोई विशेष योजना क्रियान्वित कर रही है ;

(ख) यदि हाँ, तो उस योजना का व्यौरा क्या है ; और

(ग) उस पर कितना व्यय होगा ।

**डाक और तार विभाग में उपमंत्री (श्री भगवती) :** (क) से (ग). अल्मोड़ा और पिथौरागढ़ के बीच, उस क्षेत्र में पर्याप्त टेलीफोन और तार परिपथ ले जाने के लिए एक नई ट्रंक लाइन बनाई जा रही है जिसकी अनुमानित लागत २,८५,००० रुपये है ।

### Development of Horticulture

1389. **Shri Daljit Singh:** Will the Minister of Food and Agriculture be pleased to state the amount of grant and loan to be given during 1963-64 to Punjab State for the development of horticulture?

**The Minister of State in the Ministry of Food and Agriculture (Dr. Ram Subhag Singh):** The Punjab Government have intimated that they are not likely to require any Central assistance by way of loan or grant for the development of horticulture during 1963-64.

### Purchases by Posts and Telegraphs

1390. **Dr. Melkote:** Will the Minister of Posts and Telegraphs be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is the policy of Government to keep for over four years a gazetted officer in-charge of a Unit of P&T where over a lakh of rupees are spent yearly towards purchase of spare parts; and

(b) if so, the reasons therefor?

**The Deputy Minister in the Department of Posts & Telegraphs (Shri Bhagavati):** (a) The amount spent on spare parts in a P&T Unit does not affect the period of stay of a Gazetted Officer in-charge of the Unit.

Gazetted Officers are not ordinarily to continue in the same station for a period exceeding four years. If, however, during this period or in continua-