

(c) The passengers booked from Bombay on the Friendship flights which could not operate, were flown by Dakotas the same day with the exception of four, two of whom cancelled their bookings as they did not wish to fly by DC-3. The other two passengers who could not be accommodated on Dakota flight were carried the next day.

(d) The possibility of amending the Service Rules of the Corporation to meet contingencies where it is apparent that absenteeism was due to a joint or combined action on the part of the employees, is being explored.

दिल्ली में राजघाट के पास यमुना पर पुल

२६१. श्री सिद्धेश्वर प्रसाद :  
श्री सुबोध हंसवा :

क्या परिवहन मंत्री १० दिसम्बर, १९६३ के अतारांकित प्रश्न संख्या १३४४ के उत्तर के संबंध में यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि:

(क) क्या दिल्ली में राजघाट के पास यमुना पर पुल बनाने के लिए सर्वे पूरा हो गया है; और

(ख) यदि हां, तो इस मामले में और क्या प्रगति हुई है?

परिवहन मंत्रालय में नौवहन मंत्री (श्री राज बहादुर) : (क) और (ख). जी हां केन्द्रीय लोक निर्माण विभाग ने नदी सर्वेक्षण का कार्य पूरा कर लिया है। नक्शे हाइड्रोलिक रिसर्च स्टेशन, पूना, भेज दिये गये हैं। रिसर्च स्टेशन से अन्तिम रिपोर्ट मिलने पर पुल के संरक्षण और डिजाइन का निर्णय किया जायेगा

बख्तियारपुर में रेलवे पुल

२६२. श्री सिद्धेश्वर प्रसाद : क्या रेलवे मंत्री १० दिसम्बर, १९६३ के अतारांकित

प्रश्न संख्या १३४५ के उत्तर के संबंध में यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि:

(क) क्या बख्तियारपुर में रेलवे पुल बनाने की योजना को बिहार सरकार की स्वीकृति मिल चुकी है; और

(ख) यदि हां, तो क्या पुल बनाने का काम शुरू किया जा चुका है?

रेलवे मंत्रालय में उपमंत्री (श्री सै० बे० रामस्वामी) : (क) अभी नहीं।

(ख) सवाल नहीं उठता।

डाक विभाग के सुपरिटेण्डेंट

२६३. श्री सिद्धेश्वर प्रसाद : क्या डाक तथा तार मंत्रा १० दिसम्बर, १९६३ के अतारांकित प्रश्न-संख्या १३४६ के उत्तर के सम्बन्ध में यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि डाक विभाग के सुपरिटेण्डेंटों और पोस्ट-मास्टर्स के पदों के एकीकरण की दिशा में इस बीच क्या प्रगति हुई है?

डाक और तार विभाग में उपमंत्री (श्री भगवती) : उक्त सम्मिलित संवर्ग के भर्ती नियम डाक-तार बोर्ड के विचाराधीन हैं और जब कोई निर्णय ले लिया जाएगा तो उन्हें लोक सेवा आयोग के परामर्श से अन्तिम रूप दे दिया जाएगा।

Water Purification Plants at Stations

294. Shri Karni Singhji: Will the Minister of Railways be pleased to refer to the reply given to Unstarred Question No. 2936 on the 12th June, 1962 and state:

(a) the names of stations on the Canal Loop line of the Northern Railway where water purification plants have since been installed; and

(b) whether any phased programme has been outlined to achieve the objective?

**The Deputy Minister in the Ministry of Railways (Shri Shahnawaz Khan):** (a) Water purification plants have been provided at Suratgarh, Sarupsar, Mohan Nagar, Raisingh Nagar, Gaj-singhpur, Sri Karanpur and Sri Ganga Nagar on the Canal Loop line, Northern Railway.

(b) Yes.

#### Telephone Connections

**295. Shri Karni Singhji:** Will the Minister of Posts and Telegraphs be pleased to state:

(a) the number of applications pending for grant of telephone connections from the Bikaner and Ganganagar Exchanges, Rajasthan, upto 31st December, 1963; and

(b) the steps being taken to expedite the grant of these connections?

**The Deputy Minister in the Department of Posts and Telegraphs (Shri Bhagavati):** (a) Bikaner 50.

Ganganagar 170.

(b) Steps have been taken to expand the capacity of the existing exchanges and this work is being expedited.

#### P. and T. Colony, Bikaner

**296. Shri Karni Singhji:** Will the Minister of Posts and Telegraphs be pleased to refer to the reply given to Unstarred Question No. 370 on the 2nd March, 1963 and state the progress since made in regard to the construction of quarters in the Posts and Telegraphs colony in Bikaner, Rajasthan?

**The Deputy Minister in the Department of Posts and Telegraphs (Shri Bhagavati):** A site has been selected and is being acquired.

#### Afforestation

**297. Shri Hari Vishnu Kamath:** Will the Minister of Food and Agriculture be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have prepared a plan or at least a blueprint for methodical and systematic afforestation; and

(b) if so, the broad outline thereof?

**The Minister of State in the Ministry of Food and Agriculture (Dr. Ram Subhag Singh):** (a) and (b). "Forests" being a State subject the Working Plans for afforestation are prepared by the State Governments, and in the case centrally administered areas, by the Administrations of the concerned areas. The proposed Centrally sponsored project "Pre-investment Survey of Forest Resources" may, when implemented, provide the basis for preparation of a systematic Plan in the States (Punjab, Himachal Pradesh, Uttar Pradesh, Madhya Pradesh, Andhra Pradesh, Orissa, Kerala, Mysore and Maharashtra) to be covered by it.

#### Railway Saloons for Officials

**298. Shri U. M. Trivedi:** Will the Minister of Railways be pleased to state:

(a) the total number of saloons on the Indian Railways meant for Railway officials;

(b) the total capital outlay on these saloons; and

(c) the recurring expenditure in supplying linen and crockery to these saloons?

**The Deputy Minister in the Ministry of Railways (Shri Shahnawaz Khan):** (a) There are no saloons meant for Railway Officials. There are, however, Inspection Carriages meant for use by railway officers while on tour. The number of such Inspection Carriages gauge-wise is as under:—

|              |    |     |
|--------------|----|-----|
| Broad Gauge  | .. | 477 |
| Metre Gauge  | .. | 429 |
| Narrow Gauge | .. | 42  |

**TOTAL:** 948