

**Dr. M. M. Das:** May I know whether the Coonoor Institute is the only institute under the Central Government for carrying on research in nutrition, or is there some other institute also under the Central Government for that purpose?

**Rajkumari Amrit Kaur:** The Coonoor Institute is the only one under the Ministry of Health, but there is also another one under the Ministry of Food and Agriculture.

#### WRITTEN ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS

##### PROFITS OF SUGAR MILLS

\*1103. **Dr. P. S. Deshmukh:** Will the Minister of Food and Agriculture be pleased to lay on the Table of the House a statement showing:

(a) Gross profits of sugar mills in India for the years 1945-46, 1949-50, 1950-51 and 1951-52;

(b) dividends declared in each of the above years; and

(c) names of managing directors?

**The Parliamentary Secretary to the Prime Minister (Shri Satish Chandra):** (a) to (c). Information is being collected.

##### U.P.S.C. ASSISTANT GRADE EXAMINATION

\*1107. **Shri M. E. Krishna:** Will the Minister of Home Affairs be pleased to state:

(a) the number of candidates who appeared for the U.P.S.C. Assistant Grade examination held in December 1951;

(b) how many of them have qualified in the examination; and

(c) whether in this examination the pass percentage has been increased from 40 to 50?

**The Minister of Home Affairs and States (Dr. Katju):** (a) 2,973.

(b) 633 have qualified.

(c) Yes.

##### BONGARGAON-GAUHATI RAILWAY LINE

\*1110. **Jonab Amjad Ali:** Will the Minister of Railways be pleased to state whether there was any project of construction of a Railway line connecting Bonagargaon with Gauhati via Jogighopa and Pancharatna with a bridge over the Brahmaputra river?

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**The Minister of Railways and Transport (Shri L. B. Shastri):** The reply is in the affirmative.

##### RAILWAY BRIDGE OVER RIVER BRAHMAPUTRA

\*1111. **Jonab Amjad Ali:** Will the Minister of Railways be pleased to state:

(a) whether a survey for the construction of a bridge over the River Brahmaputra from Jogighopa to Pancharatna was done;

(b) if so, when;

(c) whether there was any estimate prepared for the purpose;

(d) whether the execution of the work has been sanctioned; and

(e) when the execution of the work is likely to begin?

**The Minister of Railways and Transport (Shri L. B. Shastri):** (a) and (b). Some investigations about siting of a bridge at Jogighopa were carried out in 1947, but on account of the partition of the country and consequent drain on resources and lack of necessary equipment for boring into the river, further investigations were postponed.

(c) No estimate for the construction of the bridge was prepared.

(d) No.

(e) As the matters stand at present, there does not appear to be any likelihood of the work being commenced in the next few years.

##### TRACTORS

\*1112. **Col. Zaidi:** (a) Will the Minister of Food and Agriculture be pleased to state whether there is any scheme for the manufacture of tractors in India; and

(b) if so, what progress has been made in this direction?

**The Parliamentary Secretary to the Prime Minister (Shri Satish Chandra):** (a) and (b). A number of schemes for the manufacture of tractors were sponsored by the various parties but only three have survived.

A firm in Orissa has proposed to manufacture tractors in this country by arrangement with a German firm. Production is expected to begin before the end of this year. A firm in Madras are assembling a well-known make of British tractors in their automobile