

will cover both consumption requirements and provision for buffer stock.

Barna Project

357. Shri J. P. Jyotishi: Will the Minister of **Irrigation and Power** be pleased to state:

(a) what has been the progress of the Barna Project so far;

(b) whether it is progressing according to schedule; and

(c) when it is expected to be completed?

The Minister of Irrigation and Power (Hafiz Mohammed Ibrahim):

(a) The project is under investigation.

(b) The construction on the project has not yet been started.

(c) The project is expected to be taken up towards the end of the 3rd Plan period and will be completed during the 4th Plan period.

P. & T. Buildings

358. Shri Mallick: Will the Minister of **Transport and Communications** be pleased to state:

(a) whether new buildings for Posts and Telegraphs offices have been constructed at Jajpur Town and Pattamandai respectively;

(b) whether it is a fact that the completion of these buildings is being delayed; and

(c) when it will be possible to open the new buildings?

The Minister of Transport and Communications (Shri Jagjivan Ram):

(a) No. The extension of the Jajpur P.O. building and reconstruction of Pattamandai Post Office building is in progress.

(b) No.

(c) It is difficult to give a precise date but it is expected that the buildings will be brought into use soon.

Departmental Catering on S. Railway

359. Shri Siddiah: Will the Minister of **Railways** be pleased to state:

(a) the stations where the departmental catering will be extended in the Southern Railway during the year 1962-63; and

(b) whether Madur Station in Bangalore-Mysore section will have departmental catering?

The Deputy Minister in the Ministry of Railways (Shri Shahnawaz Khan): (a) and (b). There are no proposals to extend departmental catering on the Southern Railway to additional stations at present.

Labour Welfare Inspectors on S. Railway

360. Shri Siddiah: Will the Minister of **Railways** be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Southern Railway Administration has recommended for the increase of the posts of the Labour Welfare Inspectors; and

(b) if so, the action taken thereon?

The Deputy Minister in the Ministry of Railways (Shri Shahnawaz Khan): (a) Yes Sir.

(b) The Southern Railway have been asked to re-examine and submit fresh proposals.

Potato Seedlings

361. Shri Balakrishnan: Will the Minister of **Food and Agriculture** be pleased to state:

(a) the quantity of potato seedlings imported from U.K and from other countries during the last year;

(b) the quantity of seedlings required by Madras State during the same year; and

(c) the quantity which was supplied?

The Minister of Food and Agriculture (Shri S. K. Patil): (a) 930 seedling clones and 94 thousand true seeds of thirteen crosses and solanum species.