

(a) whether any land has been acquired for establishing P. & T. offices at Agartala, Tripura;

(b) if so, what are the offices to be started at Arundhutinagar, Agartala;

(c) whether staff-quarters will also be constructed there to accommodate the staff working at Agartala; and

(d) if so, when these are expected to be started?

The Deputy Minister in the Ministry of Transport and Communications (Shri Bhagavati): (a) Yes. A site measuring 6 acre for construction of wireless receiving station has been acquired.

(b) Negotiation for purchase of plot at Arundhutinagar for construction of Post Office is under way.

(c) and (d). Proposal for construction of 6 units of staff quarters in the wireles station plot has already been sanctioned and the work is in progress.

In the site proposed for acquisition at Arundhutinagar construction of staff quarters will be considered after the site is acquired.

Export of Fish

337. Dr. U. Misra: Will the Minister of Food and Agriculture be pleased to state whether it is a fact that experts from America will shortly arrive in India to advise Government, in terms of exporting fish in large scale?

The Deputy Minister in the Ministry of Food and Agriculture (Shri A. M. Thomas): One or two American firms connected with the fisheries trade have plans to send their experts to India to study the possibilities of increasing the exports of fisheries products from India to the U.S.A. But these plans have not yet materialised.

खेती योग परती भूमि

३३८. श्री भक्त दर्शन : क्या स.स. तथा कृषि मंत्री २० अगस्त, १९६२ के अतारंकित प्रश्न संख्या ११५५ के उत्तर के सम्बन्ध में यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) सारे देश में परती भूमि का पता लगाने वाली विशेषज्ञ समिति ने अपने कार्य में इस बीच और क्या प्रगति की है !

(ख) इस समिति ने उत्तर प्रदेश के बारे में जो रिपोर्ट दी है उस का सारांश क्या है ;

(ग) उत्तर प्रदेश सम्बन्धी उस रिपोर्ट की सिफारिश पर वहाँ की राज्य सरकार ने कैसे प्रस्ताव प्रस्तुत किये हैं; और

(घ) उन प्रस्तावों व विशेषज्ञ समिति की मूल सिफारिशों को कार्यान्वित करने के लिये कौन से कदम उठाये जा रहे हैं ?

स.स. तथा कृषि मंत्रालय में राज्य मंत्री (डा० राम सुभग सिंह): (क) समिति ने और कोई रिपोर्ट नहीं दी है।

(ख) समिति ने तीसरी योजना की अवधि में ११,०१८ एकड़ घन जंगलों और झाड़ियों वाली भूमि तथा ५०,००० एकड़ ऊसर (अम्लीय और क्षारीय) भूमि को सुधारने की सिफारिश की है, इस पर कुल अनुमानतः १.७३ करोड़ रुपये खर्च होंगे। यह भी सिफारिश की गई है कि भूमिहीन मजदूरों और अनुसूचित जातियों तथा अनुसूचित कबीलों के सदस्यों में भूमि बांटी जाय।

(ग) हाल ही में राज्य सरकार नमैनपुरी जिले में ५००० एकड़ ऊसर भूमि के सुधार और बन्दोबस्त के लिये एक योजना भेजी है जिस पर ५३ लाख रुपये खर्च होंगे। भूमिहीन मजदूरों के ४५० परिवारों को इस भूमि पर बसाने का प्रस्ताव है। प्रारम्भ में यह योजना केवल नमैनपुरी जिले में शुरू की जायगी।

(घ) राज्य सरकार द्वारा भेजी गई योजना विचाराधीन है और शीघ्र ही इसे अन्तिम रूप दे दिया जायगा। राज्य सरकार

से यह भी प्रार्थना की गई है कि जंगल तथा झाड़ियों वाली ११,०१८ एकड़ भूमी के सम्बन्ध में भी वह अपनी योजना तैयार करे जिस के लिये समिति ने सिफारिश की है।

Coaching stock on Kangra Valley Section

339. Shri Hem Raj: Will the Minister of Railways be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that most of the coaching stock on the Kangra Valley Railway section (N.G.) on the Northern Railway is damaged and cannot be repaired due in shortage of spares;

(b) if so, the details of coaching stock which is in running condition and that which is damaged;

(c) the time by which they will be repaired; and

(d) the steps proposed to be taken in the matter?

The Deputy Minister in the Ministry of Railways (Shri Shah Nawaz Khan): (a) No.

(b) to (d). Do not arise.

Rolling stock

340. Shri Hem Raj: Will the Minister of Railways be pleased to state:

(a) the number of new rolling stock, locomotives, passenger coaches and goods wagons which are proposed to be put on the rails during the Third Five Year Plan period;

(b) whether any programme has been phased to put them in the different years; and

(c) if so, its details and when the first instalment of the rolling stock will be put?

The Deputy Minister in the Ministry of Railways (Shri Shahnawaz Khan):

(a) Locomotives 2,090

Passengers Coaches (excluding Electric Multiple Units and Railcars) 5,324 (in terms bogies)

Goods Wagons . . . 1,46,718 (in terms of four-wheelers)

(b) Yes.

(c) In 1961-62, the following stock were placed on line:—

Locomotives	326
Passenger Coaches (excluding Electric Multiple Units and Railcars)	1214 (in terms of bogies)
Goods Wagons	19012 (in terms of four-wheelers)

In 1962-63, the following stock is expected to be placed on line :—

Locomotives	406
Passenger Coaches (excluding Electric Multiple Unit and Railcars)	1340 (in terms of bogies)
Goods wagons	27,300 (in terms of four-wheelers)

The balance stock is being planned for being commissioned in the remaining years of the Plan.

Dairy Farm with Swiss Assistance

**341. { Shri Warior:
Shri Bishanchander Seth:**

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

(a) whether a Swiss expert team had made investigations in Kerala to investigate the possibilities of establishing a dairy farm with Swiss co-operation; and

(b) if so, the findings thereof?

The Minister of State in the Ministry of Food and Agriculture (Dr. Ram Subhag Singh): (a) The investigations