

asked to pay proportionate rent. The orders have, however, been held in abeyance and the matter is being re-examined.

#### **Mail for Kangra and Mandi Districts**

**1369. Shri Hem Raj:** Will the Minister of Posts & Telegraphs be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the mails which are despatched to the Kangra District (Punjab) and Mandi District of Himachal Pradesh are accumulated and detained at the Pathankot Railway Station;

(b) whether it is also a fact that the mail is despatched the second day and is received in various regions on the fourth or fifth day;

(c) whether Government propose to open an R.M.S. sorting office at Nagrota Bhagwan in order to arrange early delivery and if so, when; and

(d) whether Government have received any representation for the same?

**The Minister of Posts and Telegraphs (Shri A. K. Sen):** (a) and (b). A statement is placed on the Table of the Sabha explaining the position. [Placed in Library. See No. LT-1631/63.]

(c) No. It has been examined and found that earlier delivery cannot be effected by opening an R.M.S. sorting office at Nagrota Bhagwan.

(d) Yes.

#### **Annual Conference of Primary Land Mortgage Banks**

**1370. Shri P. C. Borooah:** Will the Minister of Community Development and Co-operation be pleased to state:

(a) the observations/recommendations made at the Thirty-second Annual Conference of the Primary Land Mortgage Banks, held in Madras in the 2nd week of June, this year; and

(b) the action being taken in the light of the same?

**The Deputy Minister in the Ministry of Community Development and Co-operation (Shri Shyam Dhar Misra):** (a) A statement giving the gist of the important recommendations is laid on the Table of the House. [Placed in Library. See No. LT-1632/63.]

(b) The recommendations are under the consideration of the Madras Co-operative Central Land Mortgage Bank which convened the conference. Action will be taken by the State Government on receipt of the views of the Bank.

#### **Diesel and Electric Locomotives**

**1371. Shri P. C. Borooah:** Will the Minister of Railways be pleased to state the progress so far made by the Indian Railways towards the manufacture of diesel and electric locomotives?

**The Deputy Minister in the Ministry of Railways (Shri Shah Nawaz Khan):** A statement indicating the position is laid on the table of the Sabha. [Placed in Library. See No. LT-1633/63].

#### **Dakotas of I.A.C.**

**1372. Shri Bibhuti Mishra:** Will the Minister of Transport be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that experts are of the opinion that the Indian Airlines Corporation should not use Dakota aircrafts for passenger traffic; and

(b) if so, the attitude of Government of India in regard thereto?

**The Deputy Minister in the Ministry of Transport (Shri Mohiuddin):** (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

#### **Tourism in Kerala State**

**1373. Shri P. Kunhan:** Will the Minister of Transport be pleased to state:

(a) the extent of financial assistance