Indus Commission

*564. Shri P. C. Borooah: Will the Minister of Irrigation and Power be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Indus Commission visited and inspected the lower reaches of the Indus river system in Pakistan;
- (b) if so, when and the purpose of their inspection; and
 - (c) the result of the inspection?

The Minister of Irrigation and Power (Dr. K. L. Rao): (a) and (b). Yes, Sir. The Indus Waters Commission inspected the lower reaches of the river Indus from 18th to 26th February, 1964. In accordance with the Indus Waters Treaty 1960 the Commission is required to undertake a general tour of inspection of all the Rivers in the Indus Busin once in every five years.

(c) The Commission ascertained the facts connected with various developments and works on the lower reaches of the river Indus in Pakistan.

Virus Infection

1076. Shri Chandrabhan Singh: Will the Minister of Health be pleased to lay on the Table a statement showing:

- (a) statistics of virus-infection viz.; (i) Myelitis, (ii) Encephalitis, (iii) Hepatitis, (iv) Meningitis in and around Delhi in 1960-61, 1961-62 and 1962-63; and
- (b) statistics of water borne diseases viz., (i) Cholera, (ii) Enteric, (iii) Dysentery in and around Delhi in 1960-61, 1961-62 and 1962-63?

The Deputy Minister in the Ministry of Health (Dr. D. S. Raju): (a) and (b). A statement containing the available information is laid on the Table of the House. [Placed in Library. See No. LT-25-2517/64].

Committee in Ministry of Health

1077. Shrimati Laxmi Bai: Will the Minister of Health be pleased to state:

- (a) the total number of Committees and sub-Committees working at present in the Ministry of Health; and
- (b) the total number of members of these Committees and sub-Committees?

The Deputy Minister in the Ministry of Health (Dr. D. S. Raju):

(a) Committees		50
Sub-Commit	tees	43

(b) Committees	 696
Sub-Committees	 241

Ashoka Hotels

1078. Shri Badshah Gupta: Will the Minister of Works, Housing and Rehabilitation be pleased to state the income from the Ashoka Hotels Ltd., New Delhi in 1963-64 upto the end of January, 1964?

The Minister of Works, Housing and Rehabilitation (Shri Mehr Chand Khanna): The unaudited accounts of the company show that the income of the Ashoka Hotel during the period 1st April, 1963 to 31st January, 1964 was Rs. 95,93,700 and expenditure Rs. 64,07,700 leaving a gross profit of Rs. 31,86,000.

Applications for Pensions

1079. Shri Badshah Gupta: Will the Minister of Finance be pleased to state the number of retired Government servants whose applications for pensions are still pending?

The Minister of Finance (Shri T. T. Krishnamachari): The information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the House in due course.