

(b) The Board had no subscribed capital of its own. Its requirements of capital expenditure were met exclusively from loans granted by the Central Government.

#### Mokameh Bridge

2788. { Shri Ram Krishan:  
          { Shri Kamal Singh:

Will the Minister of Railways be pleased to state:

(a) the progress of work on rail-cum-road bridge over the Ganga near Mokameh;

(b) the amount spent so far on the work; and

(c) the time by which the work will be completed?

The Deputy Minister of Railways (Shri Shahnawaz Khan): (a) The overall progress of the work is 65%. The river training works and the bridge foundations have been completed; the erection of the main girder spans is progressing satisfactorily—three have already been erected. Work of the BG/MG Transhipment Yard, including ancillary items, is also making progress.

(b) The amount spent upto 31-3-58 is Rs. 11.34 crores approximately.

(c) The Bridge is expected to be ready in the latter half of 1959.

#### G.M.F. Campaign in Orissa

2789. Shri Panigrahi: Will the Minister of Food and Agriculture be pleased to state the total Central Assistance in the form of short or long term loans and grants to the Orissa Government from the commencement of the Second Five Year Plan up to date for the various schemes?

The Minister of Food and Agriculture (Shri A. P. Jain): The total amounts of short term loan, long term loan and grant sanctioned as Central assistance to the Government of Orissa from the commencement of

the Second Five Year Plan up to date (i.e. 1956-57 and 1957-58) are shown below:—

Short term loan	Long term loan	Grant
Rs. in lakhs 40.30	Rs. in lakhs 137.40	Rs. in lakhs 97.32

The above figures include Grow More Food assistance as under:—

Rs. in lakhs 40.30	Rs. in lakhs 84.83	Rs. in lakhs 14.01
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#### Agricultural College in Annamalai University

2790. Shri Elayaperumal: Will the Minister of Food and Agriculture be pleased to state what amount was allotted in the years 1956-57 and 1957-58 by the Centre for the Agricultural College in Annamalai University?

The Minister of Food and Agriculture (Shri A. P. Jain): The Central Government have not rendered any financial assistance so far to the Annamalai University for their Agricultural College.

#### Selection Committee, Railway Workshop, Mysore

2791. Shri Siddiah: Will the Minister of Railways be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that a representative of the Scheduled Castes is represented on the Selection Committee to select Class IV employees to the Railway Workshop, Mysore;

(b) if not, the reasons therefor; and

(c) the action Government propose to take in the matter?

The Deputy Minister of Railways (Shri Shahnawaz Khan): (a) No.

(b) and (c). Instructions to this effect have not been issued, as the recruitment of Scheduled Castes is now watched by an officer specifically entrusted with that responsibility. No other action appears necessary.