

The Deputy Minister of Railways (Shri S. V. Ramaswamy): (a) Yes Sir, during high floods the river overflows its banks and submerges the Railway embankment near the village Palasingi.

(b) Protective measures to safeguard the Railway line against high floods are under consideration.

पञ्जा में गंगा नदी पर रेल और सड़क का पुल

\*१८३६. श्री विभूति मिश्र : क्या रेलवे मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि:

(क) क्या यह सच है कि बिहार सरकार ने पटना में गंगा नदी पर चालू वर्ष १९५६ में रेल और सड़क का पुल बनाने का केन्द्रीय सरकार से अनुरोध किया है ;

(ख) यदि हां, तो सरकार का इस मांग को कब तक पूरा करने का विचार है ; और

(ग) यदि नहीं, तो इसके क्या कारण हैं ?

रेलवे उपमंत्री (श्री से० वें० रामस्वामी)

(क) जी नहीं ।

(ख) और (ग). सवाल नहीं उठता ।

Utilisation of Viscounts by Indian Airlines Corporation

\*1844. Shri P. C. Borooah: Will the Minister of Transport and Communications be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that per day utilisation hours of 'Viscount' aircrafts of the Indian Airlines Corporation are less than those of other countries like Australia and New Zealand; and

(b) if so, what are the reasons for the less utilisation of these modern and costly aircrafts?

The Deputy Minister of Civil Aviation (Shri Mohiuddin): (a) No Sir. The Indian Airlines Corporation Vis-

count utilisation per aircraft per day compares favourably with that of Viscount operators in other parts of the world.

(b) Does not arise.

Electrification of Burdwan-Asansol Section

\*1848. Shri Ram Krishan Gupta: Will the Minister of Railways be pleased to state the progress made so far in the electrification of the Burdwan-Asansol section of Eastern Railway?

The Deputy Minister of Railways (Shri S. V. Ramaswamy): A statement is placed on the Table of Sabha. [See Appendix VI, annexure No. 98].

Maps used by I.A.C

\*1853. Shri Sanganna: Will the Minister of Transport and Communications be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the maps used at the offices of the Indian Airlines Corporation do not show Jammu and Kashmir in the Indian territory; and

(b) if so, the reasons therefor?

The Deputy Minister of Civil Aviation (Shri Mohiuddin): (a) and (b) Maps of India wherever displayed in the principal offices of the Indian Airlines Corporation do show Jammu and Kashmir as part of India.

Some of the offices of the Indian Airlines Corporation had in use Mercantile maps of the world, published by a foreign firm showing Jammu & Kashmir in a colour different from those used to denote India and Pakistan. The Indian Airlines Corporation have since issued instructions to withdraw these maps wherever in use in their offices.

Jute Cultivation

\*3032. Shri Ram Krishan Gupta: Will the Minister of Food and Agriculture be pleased to state the total and additional area brought under jute cultivation during 1958, State-wise?

**The Minister of Food and Agriculture (Shri A. P. Jain):** A statement giving the required information is laid on the Table. [See Appendix VI, annexure No. 94.]

#### Malaria Programme in Punjab

**3033. Shri Ram Krishan Gupta:** Will the Minister of Health be pleased to state the amount allotted to Punjab for 1959-60 for carrying out the nation-wide Malaria eradication programme?

**The Minister of Health (Shri Karmarkar):** It is estimated that the Central Assistance amounting to Rs. 45.22 lakhs will be given to Punjab State during 1959-60 for carrying out the Malaria eradication programme. The Punjab State Government's expenditure during the year 1959-60 is estimated to be Rs. 27.89 lakhs.

#### Shuttle Train Services on Western Railway

**3034. Shri Ram Krishan Gupta:** Will the Minister of Railways be pleased to state

(a) whether it is a fact that shuttle services on Rewari-Narnaul section (Western Railway) are irregular;

(b) if so, the reasons therefor; and

(c) the action taken by Government in the matter?

**The Deputy Minister of Railways (Shri S. V. Ramaswamy):** (a) No.

(b) and (c). Do not arise.

#### Caterers on Bikaner Division of Northern Railway

**3035. Shri Ram Krishan Gupta:** Will the Minister of Railways be pleased to state:

(a) the number of caterers on Bikaner Division of the Northern Railway; and

(b) the number of complaints received against them during 1958-59?

**The Deputy Minister of Railways (Shri S. V. Ramaswamy):** (a) 196.

(b) 5

#### Catering on Northern Railway

**3036. { Shri Ram Krishan Gupta:  
Shri Ajit Singh Sarhad:  
Sardar Iqbal Singh:**

Will the Minister of Railways be pleased to state—

(a) the number of caterers on the Northern Railway;

(b) the number of complaints received during the year 1958-59 against these caterers;

(c) the action taken thereon; and

(d) the names of stations on which departmental catering has been introduced so far on this Railway?

**The Deputy Minister of Railways (Shri S. V. Ramaswamy):** (a) 735.

(b) 150.

(c) A statement is laid on the Table. [See Appendix VI, annexure No. 95.]

(d) (1) Delhi Main.

(2) Pathankot.

(3) New Delhi.

(4) Varanasi.

(5) Lucknow B.G.

(6) Moradabad.

(7) Allahabad.

(8) Kanpur.

#### Irrigation Schemes in Punjab

**3037. Shri Ram Krishan Gupta:** Will the Minister of Irrigation and Power be pleased to state the total amount allocated during 1958-59 for various Medium Irrigation and Power Projects in Punjab?

**The Deputy Minister of Irrigation and Power (Shri Jatsukhlal Bhatti):** The outlay agreed to for 1958-59 for