

(b) whether it is also a fact that no replies are given to the various memoranda submitted to the Minister as well as to the higher officers of the Ministry by the staff side of the JCM; and

(c) if so what steps Government propose to take to make JCM a meaningful organisation in his Ministry?

THE MINISTER OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI P. V. NARASIMHA RAO): (a) All recognised Associations of the several Cadres of mem-berg of staff, including IFS(B) employees are represented on the Regional Council of JCM. During 1979-80, the JCM held five meetings. The last meeting o'f the JCM was held o\_n the 28th November, 1980.

To the extent permissible under th<sub>R</sub> rules, every possible admiiaifltra-tive action ha<sub>s</sub> been taken, subject to financial constraints to ensure that all points raised in the Agenda of the JCM were disposed of satisfactorily.

(b) and (c) A<sub>s</sub> appropriate, all the memoranda and representations submitted to the Minister ana Senior officers are invariably looked" into and examined, and th<sub>e</sub> Ministry seeks to resolve the issues involved. Replies are given where warranted. Not all such issues "are simple or uncomplicated and often intexminis-terial consultations and discussion with other Departments of the Govt., take some time to conclude. Since January, 1980, out of th<sub>e</sub> major items discussed in the JCM, 15 have been settled satisfactorily, 2 are under consideration within th<sub>e</sub> Ministry and 7 are under consultation and discussion with other Departments of Government. The JCM play<sub>s</sub> a useful *role* in solving problems in a mutually satisfactory manner, and is already a purposeful and meaningful organisation.

### Construction of a Third Bridge on Brahmaputra at Jogighopa

2118. SHRI ROBIN KAKATI: Will the Minister of SHIPPING AND TRANSPORT be pleased to state:

(a) whether a two member Central team visited Assam recently to discuss with the State Government a proposal for construction of a third bridge on Brahmaputra at Jagighopa; and

(b) if so, the details of th<sub>e</sub> report submitted by them?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SHIPPING AND TRANSPORT (SHRI BUTA SINGH): (a) and (b) A team consisting of the representatives of Ministries of Shipping and Transport, Railways, Irrigation and Power etc. visited Assam and discussed the proposal with the ofncialg of the State Government at site. This team has tentatively selected a site considered most suitable arid in consequence of the recommendation flowing from the joint inspection, an estimate amounting to Rs. 51,64,000/- for Techno-Eco-nomic feasibility study and detailed investigations and preparation of a detailed project report for th<sub>e</sub> construction of th<sub>e</sub> proposed bridge received from Rail India Technical and Economic Services Ltd. has already been sanctioned.

### दिल्ली परिवहन निगम की बस सेवा

2119. श्री भवानी चरण पट्टनायक : क्या नौवहन तथा परिवहन मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि

(क) क्या यह सच है कि काली वाड़ी क्षेत्र के निवासियों के लिए पुरानी और नई दिल्ली रेलवे स्टेशनों, अन्तरज्यीय बस अड्डा और अखिल भारतीय आयुर्विज्ञान संस्था के लिए उस क्षेत्र से दिल्ली परिवहन निगम की कोई बस सेवा नहीं है; और