

(c) Such samples are collected and sent for examination by the purchasing agencies of the Railways and also Food Inspectors appointed under the Prevention of Food Adulteration Act, 1954.

#### CASES OF ALARM CHAIN PULLING ON RAILWAYS

\*273. SHRIMATI LAKSHMI KUMARI CHUNDAWAT:  
SHRI SAWAISINGH  
SISODIA:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) what is the average number of cases of pulling of alarm chains on the railways every month.

(b) whether the railways maintain any special register in which cases of chain pulling are recorded; and

(c) if so, the number of such cases recorded, zonewise, during the last three months?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI MOHD. SHAFI QURESHI): (a) to (c) A statement is laid on the Table of the Sabha.

#### STATEMENT

(a) On an average there were 18,324 cases of alarm chain pulling per month on trains on Indian Railways between January, 1972 to December, 1972.

(b) Yes, Sir.

(c) The number of incidents of chain pulling on individual railways during October, November and December, 1972 is given in the table below:—

| Railways      | Oct. 72 | Nov. 72 | Dec. 72 |
|---------------|---------|---------|---------|
| Central       | 1457    | 1488    | 1439    |
| Eastern       | 2106    | 1996    | 1759    |
| Northern      | 4278    | 4233    | 4768    |
| North-Eastern | 5584    | 5953    | 5595    |

| Railway       | Oct. 72 | Nov. 72 | Dec. 72 |
|---------------|---------|---------|---------|
| Northeast-    |         |         |         |
| Frontier      | 519     | 46      | 416     |
| Southern      | 714     | 760     | 694     |
| South-Central | 2133    | 1613    | 1591    |
| South-Eastern | 4019    | 4368    | 4568    |
| Western       | 676     | 618     | 912     |

\*276. [Transferred to the 14th March, 1973].

#### MITHAPUR PROJECT FOR MANUFACTURE OF FERTILIZER

\*277. SHRI LOKANATH MISRA:  
SHRI K. C. PANDA:  
SHRI K. P. SINGH DEO:  
SHRI DAHYABHAI V.  
PATEL:  
SHRI CHANDRAMOULI  
JAGARLAMUDI:

Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND CHEMICALS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Mithapur fertilizer project has been cleared;

(b) the anticipated capacity of the project; and

(c) the extent to which it is likely to reduce the country's dependence on imported fertilizer and the foreign exchange which the country is likely to save consequently?

THE MINISTER OF PETROLEUM AND CHEMICALS (SHRI D. K. BOROOAH): (a) Yes, Sir. A letter of Intent has been issued but it has not yet been converted into a licence.

(b) 160,000 tonnes of nitrogen per annum.

(c) The foreign exchange saving is estimated at Rs. 20 crores per annum when the plant is in production at full rated capacity.