

(c) what is the method of operation of this device and whether it will have the same function as that of the alarm chain?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER OF RAILWAYS (SHRI S. V. RAMASWAMY): (a) to (c) A statement is laid on the Table of the Sabha.

STATEMENT

(a) Yes, Sir.

(b) and (c) The main purpose for providing this device is to make it easier for passengers in ladies compartments to raise alarm in distress and to facilitate stoppage of the train by the crew and passengers in such cases. The push-button switch provided below the alarm chain handle in ladies compartments, when pressed in case of an emergency (i) operates an electric alarm bell and lights a red lamp in the Guard's compartment, (ii) switches "on" an amber exterior light outside on both sides of the ladies compartment, and (iii) sounds an electric horn in the adjacent gents compartment. On hearing the bell, the Guard is to stop the train by the application of vacuum brakes from his compartment. The amber lights outside the ladies compartment are provided to facilitate identification of the compartment from which the distress signal has emanated. Sounding of the electric horn in the adjacent compartment enables passengers in that compartment to rush quickly for assistance to the ladies compartment.

The alarm chain device, when operated, applies brakes partially on the train, to be followed by full application of brakes by the Guard or the Driver. On the other hand application of the push-button safety device serves to attract attention of the Guard and fellow passengers in the adjoining compartment to apply the brakes and stop the train quicker time and come to the rescue of the lady passenger.

D.D.T. SPRAYING OF GOVERNMENT COLONIES IN DELHI

*211. SHRI RAMGOPAL GUPTA: Will the Minister of HEALTH be pleased to state:

(a) whether D.D.T. spraying of the colonies for Government employees in Delhi is done according to any phased programme;

(b) if so, the number of times each colony is expected to be sprayed during a year;

(c) whether the post monsoon spraying of Government quarters has been started; and

(d) if the reply to part (c) above be in the affirmative, how many colonies have so far been sprayed?

THE MINISTER OF HEALTH (SHRI D. P. KARMARKAR): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The colonies in the "belt area" are sprayed twice during the malaria transmission period under the National Malaria Eradication Programme.

(c) Yes, Sir.

(d) Government colonies .. 16

Rehabilitation colonies .. 21

रेल मंत्रालय के कर्मचारियों का स्थानान्तरण

१००. श्री नवाबसिंह चौहान : क्या रेल मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या यह सच है कि उनके मंत्रालय की साधारणतया यह नीति है कि उसके व उसके अधीनस्थ कार्यालयों के कर्मचारियों का स्थानान्तरण, विशेष कर तृतीय तथा चतुर्थ श्रेणी वालों का, शैक्षणिक स्तर के मध्य में न किया जाये ; और

(ख) यदि हां, तो पिछले वर्ष इस नीति के विरुद्ध कितने ऐसे स्थानान्तरण किये गये व उनके क्या कारण थे ?