

(b) if so, whether this post will be advertised through the Union Public Service Commission and if not, the reason therefor; and

(c) whether such Class I posts are filled up through the Union Public Service Commission or directly by the Department itself?

THE MINISTER OF AGRICULTURE (DR. P. S. DESHMUKH): (a) Yes.

(b) Yes, it will be advertised through the U.P.S.C.

(c) Yes.

SHRI A. C. GILBERT: May I know the qualifications and length of service of the present Business Manager?

DR. P. S. DESHMUKH: He has been there for a long time and I do not have the particulars about his qualifications.

SHRI A. C. GILBERT: Do Government consider that his qualifications are adequate for the post?

DR. P. S. DESHMUKH: As I have stated in my reply, the post is going to be advertised by the U.P.S.C. and he will take his chance.

ESCALATOR AT THE DELHI RAILWAY STATION

*300. SHRI RAMGOPAL GUPTA: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the escalator installed at the Delhi Main Station a few months back has been functioning satisfactorily;

(b) whether the station authorities have been asked to keep a count of the number of passengers who use the escalator during its experimental stage; and

(c) whether any staff has been posted to guide the passengers in the use of this escalator?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER OF RAILWAYS (SHRI SHAH NAWAZ KHAN): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) No, Sir.

(c) No, Sir. The working of the escalator is quite simple and no special staff to instruct passengers in its use is considered necessary.

SHRI RAMGOPAL GUPTA: Do Government propose to extend this facility particularly to the other platforms at Delhi Railway Station and to the bigger railway stations also?

MR. DEPUTY CHAIRMAN: It is a suggestion for action.

*301. [The questioner, (Shri Bansi-Lal) was absent. For answer vide col. 1716-17 infra.]

TERMINAL BUILDING AT BHAVNAGAR AIRPORT

*302. SHRI J. K. MODI: Will the Minister of TRANSPORT AND COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

(a) when the construction of the central tower of the Terminal Building at Bhavnagar Airport will be completed;

(b) when the tenders for the approach road for the Terminal Building will be asked for and when the work will commence;

(c) when the Terminal Building will be in use as an airport; and

(d) what use will be made of the existing airport building after the new one is opened?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER OF CIVIL AVIATION (SHRI AHMAD MOHINDIN):

(a) It is expected to be completed by the middle of 1962.

(b) Tenders are expected to be invited shortly and the work will commence within six months.

(c) By the end of the next year.

(d) No decision has yet been taken.