stations, the train engine collided with a motor truck at an unmanned level crossing. As a result, two persons were killed and 7 sustained injuries. The injuries of 4 persons were grievous. Later, the driver of the truck died in the hospital on 30th March, 1962. The accident took place due to the action of the truck driver who attempted to cross the railway track in the face of the approaching train.

### INCREASE IN WATER CHARGES BY N.D.M.C.

\*152. SHRI DAYALDAS KURRE: Will the Minister of HEALTH be pleased to state whether it is a fact that the New Delhi Municipal Committee propose to increase the water charges by 50 per cent from the month of April, 1962?

THE MINISTER OF HEALTH (Dr. Sushila Nayar): Yes, Sir.

#### LOSS ON SUGAR EXPORTS

\*164. SHRI D E O K I N A N D A N NARAYAN: Will the Minister of FOOD AND AGRICULTURE be pleased to state the losses incurred on account of sugar exported to foreign countries during 1960-61?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF FOOD (SHRI A. M. THOMAS): The loss during 1960-61 is estimated at Rs. 8:87 per maund on exports to U.S.A. and Rs. 15:80 per maund on exports to other markets.

## ESTABLISHMENT OF SUPER-GRID POWER DISTRIBUTING SYSTEM

- \*168. Shri NIRANJAN SINGH: Will the Minister of Irrigation and Power be pleased to state:
- (a) whether it is a fact that Government have sought the services of a French experts team to plan the establishment of a super-grid power distributing system in the country;

- (b) if so, whether the French Government has accepted the request; and
- (c) by when the proposed team is to start its work?

THE MINISTER OF IRRIGATION AND POWER (HAFIZ MOHAMMAD IBRAHIM): (a) No. Sir.

(b) and (c) Do not arise.

## LATE ARRIVAL OF TRAINS FROM MADRAS TO DELHI

- \*169. SHRI S. C. DEB: Will the Minister of Bailways be pleased to state:
- (a) whether it is a fact that on 15th April, 1962 all trains coming from Madras arrived late by several hours at the Delhi and the New Delhi Railway Stations; and
- (b) if so, what is the cause of thus late running?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI S. V. RAMASWAMY): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) An accident on 13th April, 1962 on Kazipet-Balharshah section caused interruption of through communication from above 20 hours on 13th April, 1962 till about 16.50 hours on 14th April, 1962.

# FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE FOR DRINKING WATER SUPPLY IN BANGALORE

- \*170. Dr. A. SUBBA RAO: Will the Minister of HEALTH be pleased to state:
- (a) whether the Government of Mysore has sought for any financial assistance from the Government of India for augmenting drinking water supply in Bangalore city; and
- (b) if so, what decision has been taken in the matter?

THE MINISTER OF HEALTH (Dr. Sushila Nayar): (a) Yes, Sir.