Oral Answers

SHRI RAJ BAHADUR: I cannot say about all the bridges in that State. Let me add that the road allocation for the Third Five Year Plan 1s meagre and even in the national highways as many as 33 rivers will remain unbridged.

RESUMPTION OF NIGHT TRAIN SERVICE BETWEEN LUMDING AND BADARPUR STATIONS

the Will *9 SHRI S. C. DEB: Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state when the night train service Badarpur between Lumding and Frontier stations of the North-East Railway which had been suspended after the last Naga hostile attack on a train between Mupa and Langting stations, was resumed?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER OF RAIL-WAYS (SHRI SHAH NAWAZ KHAN): With effect from the 2nd March, 1961.

SHRI S. C. DEB: May I know whether any special care is taken for the protection of the trains that run by this route? If so, what is the protection?

SHRI SHAH NAWAZ KHAN: During the day time a pilot precedes various trains. Trains are also escorted by either the military or the Railway Protection Force personnel. During the night there is a searchlight special which operates either with the train or ahead of it.

SHRI S. C. DEB: May I know whethere there was any second attack on the pilot train that was running?

SHRI SHAH NAWAZ KHAN: There were two incidents. On the 3rd April 1961 there was firing on the locomotive in which nobody was injured. There was another attempt earlier, when some sleepers were placed on the track; but these were removed and there was no incident of any kind.

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EMERGENCY LANDING OF SKYMASTER NEAR NAGPUR

*10. SHRI S. C. DEB: Will the Minister of TRANSPORT AND COMMU-NICATIONS be pleased to state:

(a) whether a Skymaster of Seven Sea Airlines, an American private company, made an emergency landing at a place five miles away from Nagpur on the morning of March 20, 1961; and

(b) if so, what are the details of the incident?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER OF CIVIL AVIATION (SHRI AHMED MOHIUD-DIN): (a) and (b) I lay a statement giving the requisite information on the Table of the Sabha.

STATEMENT

(a) and (b) A Skymaster aircraft, of the Seven Seas Airlines, operating a non-scheduled freighter service from Luxembourg to Tokyo, took off Bangkok for at from Bombay 0430 hours IST approximately nn 20th March, 1961. After about 1¹/₂ hours the aircraft experienced engine trouble and began to lose height. The aircraft ultimately crash-landed at a distance of approximately 3 miles from the Sonegaon airport. The aircraft was extensively damaged and two of the eight crew members received minor injuries.

SHRI S. C. DEB: May I know whether the Skymaster belongs to America or does it belong to some other country?

SHRI AHMED MOHIUDDIN: Ameriga.

SHRI S. C. DEB: Did the plane start after the trouble arose?

SHRI AHMED MOHIUDDIN: It left Bombay early in the morning and a. I have stated in my statement about 20, 30 or 40 miles from Nagpur there was trouble and the trouble was re-