

The Government have issued necessary instructions to the Railway administrations that all possible steps should be taken to provide the maximum relief and succour to those who have suffered in this unfortunate accident.

The hon. Minister of Railways is just now flying to the site

MR. CHAIRMAN: We express our grief at the loss of life and communicate our sympathy to the members of the bereaved families.

#### MOTION FOR ELECTION TO THE COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC ACCOUNTS AND PROGRAMME THEREOF

THE MINISTER OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS (SHRI SATYA NARAYAN SINHA): Sir, I move the following Motion:

"That this House concurs in the recommendation of the Lok Sabha that the Rajya Sabha do agree to nominate seven members from the Rajya Sabha to associate with the Committee on Public Accounts of the Lok Sabha for the period commencing on the 1st May, 1961 and ending on the 30th April, 1962 and do proceed to elect, in such manner as the Chairman may direct, seven members from among the members of the House to serve on the said Committee."

*The question was put and the motion was adopted.*

MR. CHAIRMAN: I have to inform hon. Members that the following dates have been fixed for receiving nominations and for holding election, if necessary, to the Committee on Public Accounts:—

1. Number of Members to be elected—Seven.

2. Last date and time for receiving nominations—25th April, 1961 (up to 3 P.M.).

3. Last date and time for withdrawal of candidature—28th April, 1961 (up to 3 P.M.).

4. Date and time of election—28th April, 1961 (between 12 noon and 5 P.M.).

5. Place of election—Room No. 63, First Floor, Parliament House, New Delhi.

6. Method of election—Proportional representation by means of the single transferable vote.

#### MOTION RE THE REPORT OF THE ASSESSMENT COMMITTEE ON VIJNAN MANDIRS

SHRI M. P. BHARGAVA (Uttar Pradesh): Sir, I beg to . . .

THE MINISTER OF SCIENTIFIC RESEARCH AND CULTURAL AFFAIRS (SHRI HUMAYUN KABIR): Sir, I just want to know from you what will be the time allotted to this debate, because . . .

MR. CHAIRMAN: We gave it yesterday as two hours. We have said that.

SHRI HUMAYUN KABIR: At 3 o'clock there is a meeting of the Consultative Committee of Parliament fixed long time back and if it is over by 3 o'clock, I shall be very grateful.

MR. CHAIRMAN: That is all right. It has started now.

[MR. DEPUTY CHAIRMAN in the Chair.]

SHRI M. P. BHARGAVA: Sir, I beg to move:

"That the Report of the Assessment Committee on Vijnan Mandirs, 1960, be taken into consideration."