f[THE MINISTER OF HEALTH (SHHI D. P. KAHMARKAR); (a) The Central Council ot Ayurvedic Research has made certain recommendations and these are being examined.

(b) The Indian Pharmacopoeia Committee has appointed an Indian Medicinal Plants Sub-committee. As a first step ten vegetable drugs which are commonly used have been taken up ior investigation.]

MR. CHAIRMAN: Questions are aver.

WRITTEN ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS

DISCONTINUANCE OF PLANE HALT AT BHOPAL

◆386. SHRI P. N. RAJABHOJ: WUI the Minister of TRANSPORT AND COM-MUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the Indian Airlines Corporation have made a proposal for the discontinuance oif the plane halt at Bhopal;

(b) if so, for what reasons; and

(c) whether Government have accepted the proposal?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER OF CIVIL AVIATION (SHRI AHMED MOHTUDDIN): (a) No, Sir.

(b) and (c) Do not arise.

SETTING UP OF FARMERS' BANK

*394. SHRI P. N. RAJABHOJ: Will the Minister of COMMUNITY DEVE-

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LOPMENT AND CO-OPERATION be please*' to state:

(a) whether there is any proposal under Government's consideration to start a new bank known as "Farmers Bank" in order to help farmers; and

(b) if so, what are the details of the proposal and when the bank is likely to be set up?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER OF COM-MUNITY DEVELOPMENT AND CO-OPERATION (SHRI B. S. MURTHY): (a) No Sir.

(c) Does not arise.

TRAIN BETWEEN MANMAD AND KA CHEGUDA AND PURLI-VALINATH AND BASIM

•397. SHRI BABA SAHEB SAVNE-KAR: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that usually all trains running between Manmad and Kacheguda (Hyderabad) and Purli-Vaijnath and Basim run late; and

(b) if so, what steps Government propose to take to maintain punctua lity of train runnings on these lines?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER OF RAILWAYS (SHRI SHAH NAWAZ KHAN): (a) No Sir, except on the Purna-Basim Section.

(b) The Purna-Basim section is a newly opened section. The train services comprise of one passenger and one mixed train each way. The mixed trains have to perform shunting operations at intermediate stations which affects their punctuality. In the time table to come into force from 1-4-61 it is proposed to discontinue running of mixed trains, which step is expected to ensure a satisfactory standard of punctuality.

CONDUCTORS AND TICKET CHECKERS ON NIGHT DUTY

*398. SHRI BABA SAHEB SAVNE-KAR: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that some train conductors and ticket checkers on the Railways are required to remain on night duty permanently; and

(b) whether Government propose to change the duty hours of such staff?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER OF RAILWAYS (SHRI S. V. RAMASWAMY) : (a) There are no ticket checking staff permanently on night duty. There are, however, some conductors who are on permanent night duty.

(b) Wherever the mail and express trains run during the night, the permanent night duty cannot be avoided.

TELEGRAPH AND TELEPHONE FACILITIES IN MARATHWADA REGION

*399. SHRI BABA SAHEB SAVNE-KAR: Will the Minister of TRANPORT AND COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state the number of taluka headquarters in the Marathwada region of the State of Maharashtra which have been provided with telegraph and telephone facilities?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF TRANSPORT AND COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI RAJ BAHADUR): 8 Taluka Headquarters have been provided both with telegraph and telephone facilities. Seven more stations have been provided with telegraph facilities only.

रेल मंत्रालय द्वारा ग्रायोजित सार्वजनिक समारोहों के लिये हिन्दी में भेजे गये निमंत्रण पत्र

२९२. श्री नवार्बीसह चौहान : क्या रेल मंत्री यह बताने की कुपा करेंगे कि : (क) उन के मंत्रालय और उसके संलग्न तथा अवीनस्य कार्यालयो द्वारा १९६० में कितने सार्वजनिक समारोहों का आयोजन किया गया और उनमें से कितनों के निमंत्रण पत्र अंग्रेजी के साथ हिन्दी में भी भेजे गये; और

(ख) क्या भविष्य में होने वाले ऐसे सपारोहों के लिये सरकार द्वारा कोई ऐसी व्यवस्था की गई है कि उनके सभी निमंत्रण पत्र तथा कार्यसूची का विवरण ग्रंग्रजी के साथ हिन्दीं में भी भेजा जाया करे ?

t [INVITATIONS ISSUED IN HINDI FOR PUBLIC FUNCTIONS ORGANISED BY THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS

292. SHRI NAWAB SINGH CHAUHAN: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) the number of public functions which were organised by his Ministry and its attached and subordinate offices during the year 1960 and for how many of them invitation cards were-issued in Hindi along with English; and

(b) whether any arrangement has been made by Government to ensure that all the invitation cards and programmes in respect of such functions to be held in future are issued in Hindi along with English?]

रेल उपमंत्री (श्री झाहनवाज खां): (क) १९६० में रेल मंत्रालय और इसके संलग्न और अधीनस्थ कार्यालयों द्वारा ७९ समारोह आयोजित किये गये। इनमें से ४५ समारोहों पर निमंत्रण पत्र भेजे गये। द श्रवसरों पर निमंत्रण पत्र हिन्दी और अंग्रेजीं दोनों भाषाओं में भेजे गये।

(ख) हिदायत दी गयी है कि भविष्य में सामान्यतः सभी सरकारी समारोहों पर हिन्दी बौर ब्रंग्रेजी दोनों में निमंत्रण पत्र जारी किये जायें लेकिन साथ ही स्थानीय स्थिति ब्रौर प्रथा का भी घ्यान रखा जाये :

†[] English translation.