SHRI SHAH NAWAZ KHAN: The cost for this particular hospital is going to be Rs. 4,000.

SHRI DEOKINANDAN NARAYAN: Is this experiment going to be tried in other hospitals of the Railways?

SHRI SHAH NAWAZ KHAN: For the time being no.

SHRI FARIDUL HAQ ANSARI: May I know whether the hon. Minister intends to introduce these mural paintings in the Delhi Railway Hospital?

SHRI SHAH NAWAZ KHAN: As I said, at present we have not formulated any plan to this effect. We shall see how popular these are and how well they are appreciated.

MR. CHAIRMAN: Question hour is over.

WRITTEN ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS

STORAGE OF FOODGRAINS

*688. SHRI BIREN ROY: Will the Minister of Food and Agriculture be pleased to state:

- (a) how many rented warehouses for the storage of stocks of Foodgrains are held by the Central Government;
- (b) what is the total annual rent payable for these warehouses;
- (c) what is the total quantity and value of Government-owned stocks of foodgrains which turned out to be unfit for human consumption during the year 1959; and
- (d) what were the reasons for this deterioration?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI M. V. KRISHNAPPA):
(a) and (b) At present, 841 godowns with capacity of over 13 lakh tons have been taken over on rent for storage of foodgrains on Central Government account, and the total annual rent is Rs. 1,16 lakhs.

(c) and (d) Out of a total quantity of about 47 lakh tons valued at Rs. 180 crores handled during 1959, 909 tons valued at approx. Rs. 4 lakhs became unfit for human consumption due to damage by rain water and seepage of moisture from the floor which sometimes occurs in long storage in rented godowns.

HOME DELIVERY OF MILK UNDER DELHI MILK SCHEME

*701. Shri BABUBHAI CHINAI: Shri K. K. Shah: Shri M. M. MEHTA:

Will the Minister of FOOD AND AGRICULTURE be pleased to state whethere there is any proposal for home delivery of milk under the Delhi Milk Scheme?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER OF AGRI-CULTURE (SHRI M. V. KRISHNAPPA): A statement is laid on the Table of the Sabha.

STATEMENT

Home delivery is undertaken in respect of hospitals, hostels and canteens where supply is made in bulk.

Milk is sold to the public from depots only and it is not possible to undertake home delivery for the public, as firstly, that will make milk more expensive and secondly, there is a danger that milk may be adulterated during transit from depots to residences.

A pilot project for home delivery in five selected residential localities, viz., North Avenue, South Avenue, Ferozshah Road, Canning Lane and Electric Lane, has, however, been undertaken from middle of August, 1960.