entrants provided they have not been appointed on the specific condition that they shall have to move if the Headquarters of the office is shifted as a measure of Government policy.

(b) Does not arise.]

THEFTS OF GOVERNMENT CASH AT KATNI RAILWAY STATION

166. SHRI NIRANJAN SINGH: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) the number of thefts of Government cash which were committed during the last two years at the Katni railway station on the Central Railway; and

(b) the number of persons who have so far been apprehended in this connection?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER OF RAIL-WAYS (SHRI SHAH NAWAZ KHAN): (a) Only one case of theft of Government cash from Katni station was reported during the last two years.

(b) No one was apprehended.

BRIDGE OVER THE SINDH RIVER ON THE BHIND-BHANDER ROAD IN THE DISTRICT OF BHIND IN MADHYA PRADESH

167. SHRI NIRANJAN SINGH: Will the Minister of TRANSPORT AND COM MUNICATIONS be pleased to state whe ther the Government of Madhya Pra desh have sent any proposal to the Government of India for seeking their approval and cooperation for the construction of a bridge over the Sindh river on the Bhind-Bhander road in the District of Bhind; if so, what action has been taken thereon?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF TRANSPORT AND COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI RAJ BAHADUR): Yes, Sir. The State Government wanted a grant-in-aid to meet 50% of the cost of construction of the proposed bridge. Due to paucity of funds, it has not been possible

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to give any financial assistance in the matter. It has, however, been suggested to the State Government that in case they consider the work in question to be urgent, they might examine the feasibility of financing it from their Central Road Fund Allocations Account in which sufficient free balance exists to meet the cost of this project.

RECLAMATION OF WASTE AND ALKALINE LANDS

168. SHRI MAHESWAR NAIK: Will the Minister of FOOD AND AGRICUL TURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the inexpensive method of reclaiming waste and alkaline lands, discovered by the National Botanical Garden's experimental Farm at Banthra has been tried elsewhere; and if so, with what results; and

(b) if the experiment has been successfully tried, whether any attempt is being made by Government for its universal adoption in the country?

THE MINISTER OF AGRICULTURE (DR. P. S. DESHMUKH): (a) No. The Council has, however, recommended that this method be tried in their schemes operating in Andhra Pradesh and Punjab.

(b) Not yet. Results of the trials are awaited.

CONSTRUCTION OF THE HIGH SCHOOL BUILDING AT BILASPUR, MADHYA PRADESH

169. SHRI DAYALDAS KURRE: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Government propose to construct the High School building at Bilaspur, (Madhya Pradesh) at the end of the Second Five Year Plan period; and

(b) what amount has been allotted for the construction of the building?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER OF RAILWAYS (SHRI SHAH NAWAZ KHAN): (a) The proposal is to extend the High School building at Bilaspur. This work is in progress.

(b) Rs. 40,000, which includes the cost of extension, furniture and equipment.

EXPRESS TRAIN BETWEEN JHANSI AND MANIKPUR

170. SHRI B. N. BHARGAVA: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state;

(a) whether it is a fact that some time back Government proposed to run an express train between Jhansi and Manikpur; and

(b) whether the proposal has since been given up; if so, for what reasons?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER OF RAIL-WAYS (SHRI SHAH NAWAZ KHAN): (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

t [AMOUNT SPENT BY THE RAILWAYS UNDER THE SECOND FIVE YEAR PLAN

द्वितीय पंचवर्षीय योजना के झन्तर्गत रेलवे द्वारा खर्च की गई रकम

१७१. श्वी राम सहायः क्या रेल मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि द्वितीय पंचवर्षीय योजना के ग्रन्तगंत १९५९--६० के वर्ष में १९६ १० करोड़ रुपये खर्च होने का जो भनुमान था उसमें से वास्तव में कितनी रकम खर्च हई ?

171. SHRI RAM SAHAI: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state the amount which has actually been spent out of the estimated amount of Rs. 196' 10 crores which was to be spent during the year 1959-60 under the Second Five Year Plan?]

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का पता तभी चल सकता है जब मार्च, १९६० के लेखे बन्द हो जायें । ये लेखे इस वर्ष जुलाई के ग्रन्तिम/ग्रगस्त के पहले सप्ताह में बन्द होंगे ।

t[Tm! DEPUTY MINISTER O RAILWAYS (SHRI S. V. RAMA SWAMY) : The actual expenditur during 1959-60 will be known onl, when the accounts for March 1960 ar closed in the last week of July/firs week of August 1960.]

माल डिब्बों के निर्माण के लिये कच्चे माल का उपलब्ध होना

१७२. श्री राम सहायः क्या रेल मंत्री रेल मंत्रालय (रेलवे बोर्ड) के १९५९–६० के सारांश के पृष्ठ ५ को देखेंगे ग्रीर यह बताने की क्रुपा करेंगे कि :

(क) माल डिब्बों के पर्याप्त संस्या में निर्माण के लिये कच्चा माल उपलब्ध हो, इसके लिये क्या व्यवस्था की गई है ; ग्रौर

(ख) माल डिब्बों के निर्माण के लिये ब्रावश्यक कितना प्रतिशत कच्चा माल भारत में उपलब्ध है ग्रौर इसमें से कितना विदेशों से मंगाना पड़ता है ?

t [Availability of Raw Materials foi THE CONSTRUCTION OF WAGONS

172. SHRI RAM SAHAI: Will th€ Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased tc refer to page 5 of the Ministry 01 Railways (Railway Board) Summary 1959-60 and state:

(a) what arrangements have been made to ensure the availability of raw materials for the production of wagons in adequate number; and

(b) what percentage of the raw materials required for the construction of wagons is available in 'India and how much of it has to be imported?]

रेल उपमंत्री (श्री एस॰ बी० रामस्वामी) :(क) और (ख) सूचना मंगायी

t[] English translation.