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health, roads etc. As regards the terms and conditions attached to the loans given to the States under this programme, it may be mentioned that the loans sanctioned prior 1958-59 were interest free for first five years. Thereafter they carried an interest of 4½ p.a. The principal together with the interest is repayable in 25 equal instalments. From the year 1958-59 and onwards there will be no interest free period. The loans will carry interest during this period also at the normal rates. As, however, a certain amount financial assistance had been assured to the State Governments in respect of this Programme, the Government of India will give subsidies to Governments to cover amount of interest which the State Governments will have to pay to the Centre for the period for which these loans would have been interest free under the original terms.

PILOT PROJECTS FOR COTTAGE AND SMALL Scale Industries

*404. Shri N. RAMAKRISHNA Will the Minister of Commu-DEVELOPMENT AND CO OPERA-TION be pleased to state:

- (a) the State-wise number of pilot projects for cottage and small-scale industries that are continuing during the year 1959-60; and
- (b) whether there is any phased programme to extend such projects in other Development Blocks?

PARLIAMENTARY SECRE-TARY TO THE MINISTER OF COM-DEVELOPMENT AND CO-MUNITY OPERATION (Shri S. D. MISRA):

- (a) A statement giving the information is laid on the Table of the House.
 - (b) No. Sir.

STATEMENT

State

Pilot Projects

Andhra Pradesh .

(i) Kakinada Peddapuram,

(ii) Mulug Block.

Assam . Darrang.

Bihar Bihar Ekangarsarai Barbigha.

Bombay (i) Kolhapur.

(ii) Amravati. (iii) Maneyadar-Van-

thali. (iv) Bhuj-Nakhatra-

Madhya Pradesh .

(i) Dabra.

(ii) Sehore. (iii) Sohawal Nagcd (Satna).

Madras Gobe-Erode.

Orissa Russelkonda,

Punjab . (i) Batala.

(ii) Dhuri-Maler kotla.

Uttar Pradesh Deoband.

West Bengal Baruipur.

Jammu and Kashmir Anantnag.

Mysore Ramanagram-cum-Kanakapura Taluks.

Rajasthan

(i) Sanganer.

(ii) Pisangan.

Kerala . Neyyattinkara.

Delhi . Alipur.

Himachal Pradesh, Kunihar and Bahl

Blocks.

Manipur Thoubal.

Tripura Nutanhaveli and old Agartala.

गया श्रीर गमाह के बीच पैसेंजर गाड़ी

*४०५. श्री कामता सिंहः क्या रेलवे मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि:

- (क) क्या यह सच है कि पूर्वी रलवे के ग्रेंड कौई लाइन में गया से गोमोह तक केवल एक ही पैसेंजर गाड़ी है श्रीर इस कारण सम्बधित स्टेशनों के रेल यात्रियों को बहत कष्ट उठाना पड़ता है; श्रीर
- (ख) यदि हां तो क्या सरकार इन स्टेशनों के बीच दूसरी पैसेंजर गाड़ी चलाने का विचार रखती है?

†[Passenger Train between Gaya AND GOMOH

Written Answers

*405. SHRI KAMTA SINGH: the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it is a fact there is only one passenger train between Gaya and Gomoh on the Grand Chord line of the Eastern Railway and the rail passengers of the stations concerned are put to great inconvenience; and
- (b) if so, whether Government propose to introduce another passenger train between these stations?]

रेल उपमंत्रा (श्री शाहनवाज खां): (क) जी हां।

(ख) लाइन की क्षमता capacity) न होने की वजह से ग्रभी कोई दूसरी गांडी चलाने का विचार नहीं है।

†[THE DEPUTY MINISTER OF RAILWAYS (SHRI SHAH Nawaz KHAN): (a) Yes.

(b) Not at present due to availability of line capacity.]

RAILWAY FREIGHT ON IRON ORE

NARAIN VYAS: 406. SHRI JAI Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) the railway freight charged on iron ore despatched from Rajanpeta, Guddapeta, Badampahar, Bezwara and Rajasthan Sectors to Madras, Calcutta, Kakinada and Kandla ports;
- (b) what was the old rate of railway freight and when was it revised; and
- (c) how has the revison of freight rate affected the export of iron ore?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER OF RAIL-WAYS (SHRI S. V. RAMASWAMY): (a) and (b). The information asked for is given in a statement laid on the Table of the House. [See Appendix XXV, Annexure No. 30.]

(c) Export of iron ore is affected by several factors such as the demand therefor from the importing countries, availability of shipping space and the freight rates charged therefor, the railway freight rate, and it is not possible to isolate and indicate the effect of one of these factors, namely, the increase in railway freight.

to Questions

COMPLAINT AGAINST POSTAL AUTHORI-TIES OF MUZAFFARNAGAR

- FARIDUL *407. SHRI HAQ ANSARI: Will the Minister of Trans-PORT AND COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state.
- (a) whether Government receiv ed a written complaint from the Zila Patrakar Sangh of Muzaffarnagar (Uttar Pradesh), in August, 1958 against the postal authorities Muzaffarnagar and the Superintendent of Post Offices of the division concerned:
- (b) if so, what is the nature of this complaint; and
- (c) what action Government have taken in the matter?

THE MINISTER OF TRANSPORT AND COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI S. K. PATIL): (a) Yes.

- (b) Alleged tampering of mail.
- (c) The allegations were not found correct. Supervision has, however, been tightened.

‡ALLEGATIONS AGAINST ENGINEERS AT CHAMBAL BRIDGE

- *364. SHRI N. C. SEKHAR: Will the Minister of Transport and Com-MUNICATIONS be pleased to state:
- (a) whether Government's attention has been drawn to a news item published in the News Bulletin of "All India Junior Engineers Federation" of March, 1959, in connection with the allegations made against the senior engineers incharge of the constructional project at Chambal Bridge; and

^{†[]} English translation. †Transferred from 6th May 1959.