There was no loss to Government on account of contract catering.

Written Answers

The information is (b) and (c). under collection and will be laid on the Table of the Sabha.

DIFFICULTY IN CETTING TELEPHONE CONNECTION IN DELHI AND OTHER BIG TOWNS

- 15. Dr. SHRIMATI SEETA PARMA-NAND: Will the Minister of Trans-PORT AND COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:
- (a) whether there is any difficulty in giving telephone connections Delhi and other big towns: if so, what is that difficulty: and
- (b) whether it is a fact that it is easy to get a connection under the "Buy Your Telephone" scheme than on the "payment of annual rent" basis?

THE MINISTER OF TRANSPORT AND COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI S. K. PATIL): (a) Yes. Shortage of exchange equipment and stores.

- (b) 'Own Your Telephone Scheme' and not the 'Buy Your Telephone Scheme' is in force in Delhi (except Karolbagh), Bombay (except 24 and 26 exchange area), Madras (except 3 exchanges), Kanpur and Ahmedabad. In the exchange areas towns where 'Own Your Telephone is in force, connection to Scheme' ordinary applicants without payment of the deposit are given only if they belong to an exempted category like doctor, refugee, press, public public institutions, etc.
- 16. [Postponed to 1st December 1958.1

ESTABLISHMENT OF FOOD ADVISORY COUNCIL AND INTELLIGENCE ORGANISA-TION

17. SHRI P. N. RAJABHOJ: Will the Minister of FOOD AND AGRICULTURE be pleased to state whether Government propose to establish a non-official Central Food Advisory and an Intelligence Organization?

MINISTER OF FOOD THE AGRICULTURE (SHRI A. P. JAIN): The Government do not propose to set up a non-official Central Food Advisory Council as recommended by the Foodgrains Enquiry Committee but they have decided to have an Intelligence Organization.

MOBILE DISPENSARY VANS OF THE CON-TRIBUTORY HEALTH SERVICE SCHEME

- 18. MOULANA M. FARUQI: Will the Minister of HEALTH be pleased to state:
- (a) the number of times so during 1958-59 the mobile dispensary vans of the Contributory Health Service Scheme failed to reach appointed places: and
 - (b) the cause of such failures?

THE MINISTER OF HEALTH (SHRI D. P. KARMARKAR): (a) There are three mobile dispensary vans under Contributory Health Service Scheme. It is a fact that these three mobile vans failed to reach the appointed places on certain occasions. The frequency of the failures of the vans for the period during 1958-59 (up to 15th November, 1958) is indicated below!-

Mobile van attached to the C.H.S. Dispensary, Chandni Chowk 44 days Mobile van attached to the C.H.S. Dispensary, Lajpat Nagar 81 days Mobile van attached to the C.H.S. Dispensary, Patel Nagar 33} days

(b) The cause of the failures to reach the appointed places was mainly due to break-down of the vans. Consequently the vans had to be sent either for servicing or repairs. on one occasion, the mobile attached to the Patel Nagar Dispensary met with an accident with a D.T.U. bus and had to be sent to the workshop for repairs.