

उपसमिति है जो लाइट रेलवे की समस्याओं के बारे में जांच कर रही है। इन अफसरों के नाम श्री डी० डी० सूरी, श्री के० एल० लूथरा और श्री एम० वी० भवनानी हैं। इस विषय पर स्टडी-ग्रुप की रिपोर्ट के शीघ्र ही प्राप्त हो जाने की आशा है।

(ख) सवाल ही पैदा नहीं होता।

[THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF TRANSPORT AND COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI RAJ BAHADUR) : (a) A Sub-Committee composed of representatives of the Ministry of Transport and Communications (Department of Transport), Planning Commission and the Ministry of Railways on the Study Group (Transport Planning) is examining the problems of the Light Railways. The names of these officers are: Shri D. D. Suri, Shri K. L. Luthra and Shri M. V. Bhavnani. The Report of the Group on the subject is expected soon.

(b) Does not arise.]

#### UTILIZATION OF PALAR WATERS

449. SHRI M. VALIULLA: Will the Minister of IRRIGATION AND POWER be pleased to state whether the conclusions reached by the representatives of the Government of India and the Governments of Mysore and Madras regarding the utilization of Palar waters by Mysore and Madras have since been confirmed by the respective Governments?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER OF IRRIGATION AND POWER (SHRI J. S. L. HATHI) : The confirmation of the Government of Madras is still awaited.

#### INVESTMENT MADE IN CENTRAL MECHANISED FARM AT SURATGARH

450. SHRI H. V. TRIPATHI: Will the Minister of FOOD AND AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) the total amount of investment made in the Central Mechanised Farm, Suratgarh, up to the 31st March 1957; and

(b) the total amount of return from it so far?

THE MINISTER OF FOOD AND AGRICULTURE (SHRI A. P. JAIN):

(a) The total expenditure incurred at the Farm upto 31st March 1957 is Rs. 9\*25 lakhs excluding the cost of the agricultural equipment and machinery which has been received as a gift from the U.S.S.R. Government.

(b) The total value of the produce from the last rabi crop is about Rs. 4-73 lakhs.

#### SALE OF POSTAL ARTICLES

451. SHRI DEOKINANDAN NARAYAN: Will the Minister of TRANSPORT AND COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

(a) the number of post cards, envelopes and postage stamps sold from post offices from 1st August to 7th August, 1957;

(b) the approximate monthly sale of such postal articles; and

(c) whether any expenditure was incurred by Government in training recruits to face the strike threat of 8th August, 1957?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF TRANSPORT AND COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI RAJ BAHADUR) : (a) Statistics of the number of post cards, envelopes and postage stamps sold day to day are not maintained by the Department.

(b) The approximate value of postage stamps and stationery sold in a month is Rs. 2\*38 crores based on 1956-57 estimates.

(c) Yes,

†[ ] English translation.