†[THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF TRANSPORT AND COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI HUMA-YUN KABIR): (a) During the First Five Year Plan period, the progress of road construction in Sikkim was rather slow due to extreme shortage of labour and other initial difficulties peculiar to that region. The progress, however, improved considerably during 1956-57 and this is being kept up.

(b) Does not arise.]

Power Houses of the Bhakra Nangal Project

*230. SHRI JAI NARAIN VYAS: Will the Minister for Irrigation and Power be pleased to state:

- (a) the number and the names of the Power Houses of the Bhakra Nangal Project which have started supplying electricity and the areas in which this electricity is being supplied; and
- (b) the names of the Power Houses which are expected to start functioning during the current year?

THE MINISTER FOR IRRIGATION AND POWER (SHRI S. K. PATIL): (a) Two Power Houses, namely Ganguwal and Kotla on Nangal Hydel Channel have started supplying electricity. The electricity generated at these Power Houses is being utilized in Delhi and Punjab.

(b) No power House is expected to start functioning during the current year.

TESTING OF WATER IN DELHI

*231. SHRI JAI NARAIN VYAS: Will the Minister for HEALTH be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have been regularly conducting physical, chemical and bacteriological tests of water drawn from wells for human consumption and water used for manufacturing ice and aerated water in the different factories of Delhi; and

(b) if so, whether Government are satisfied that there is no pollution in the water used for the above purposes?

THE MINISTER FOR HEALTH (SHRI D. P. KARMARKAR): (a) and (b). Samples are taken by the Municipalities and also by the Director of Health Services, Delhi and sent for physical, chemical and bacteriological analysis. In case of contamination, steps are always taken to dis-infect the source of water supply. Water drawn from shallow wells is not always safe and the public is, therefore, regularly advised to use it after boiling.

EXAMINATIONS FOR P. AND T. DEPART-

244. Shri M. VALIULLA: Will the Minister for Transport and Communications be pleased to state:

- (a) the number of candidates who appeared in the examinations for recruitment to the posts of Inspectors of Post Offices and Head Clerks to the Superintendents of Post Offices in each year from 1954 onwards; and
- (b) how many of them were taken in service during the same period?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF TRANSPORT AND COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI HUMAYUN KABIR): (a) (i) 1954—No examination was held. (ii) 1955—1,770 including 422 from R.M.S. side). (iii) 1956—No examination was held. (iv) 1957—Slightly over 2,500 (Feb.).

- (b) (i) 1955 Examination—119 (including 34 from R.M.S. side).
- (ii) 1957 (Feb.) Examination—Result not yet announced.

FAMILY PLANNING CENTRES

245 SHRI DEOKINANDAN NARAYAN: Will the Minister for HEALTH be pleased to state:

(a) the number of family planning centres working in each State in the country in urban and rural areas with Government aid; and

(b) the amount of aid given to each State for family planning in the year 1956-57?

THE MINISTER FOR HEALTH (SHRI D. P. KARMARKAR): (a) and (b). The required information is given in the Statement attached. [See Appendix XVII, Annexure No. 32.]

RAILWAY EMPLOYEES—DISCHARGE, DISMISSAL AND REMOVAL FROM
SERVICE

246. Dr. R. B. GOUR: Will the Minister, for RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) the number of railway employees discharged, dismissed or removed from service on the various Railways in each year from 1952 onwards; and
- (b) the number of employees who were discharged, dismissed or removed from service after a show-cause notice was served on them and the number of employees who were not served with a show-cause notice under clause (c) of the proviso to clause (2) of article 311 of the Constitution?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER FOR RAILWAYS (SHRI SHAH NAWAZ KHAN): (a) and (b). The information is being collected from the Indian Railways and will be laid on the Table of the Sabha in due course.

द्वितीय पंच वर्षीय योजना के म्रघीन अन्त-उत्पादन

२४७. श्री नवाब सिंह चौहान : क्या खाद्य तथा कृषि मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या यह सच है कि द्वितीय पंच वर्षीय योजना के ग्रधीन ग्रन्न-उत्पादन में हुई प्रगति निर्धारित लक्ष्यों से कम है और यदि ऐसा है, तो कितनी ; और

(ख) इस के कारण क्या है तथा उत्पादन बढ़ाने के लिये सरकार क्या प्रयत्न कर रही है ?

†[FOOD PRODUCTION UNDER SECONT FIVE YEAR PLAN

247. Shri NAWAB SINGH CHAU-HAN: Will the Minister for FOOD AND AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it is a fact that the progress made in food production under the Second Five Year Plan is behind the fixed targets and if so, by how much; and
- (b) what are the reasons therefor and what action Government are taking to step up the production?]

खाद्य तथा कृषि मंत्री (श्री अचित प्रसाद जैन) : (क) जी नहीं । भारत में चावल के उत्पादन के श्रन्तिम श्रनुमान १६५,५-५६ की अप्रेक्षा १६५६-५७ में, जो द्वितीय योजना का पहला वर्ष है, १३ लाख टन की वृद्धि बतलाता है । गेहूं, दूसरे श्रनाज भौर दालों के लिये १६४६-४७ के उत्पादन के अन्तिम अनुमान अभी तक प्राप्त नहीं हुए है। परन्तु प्रोविजनल एडवान्स (provisional advance) श्रनुमान यह बतलाते हैं कि एक लाख टेन से ग्रधिक ग्रतिरिक्त उत्पादन होगा । इसलिये खाद्यान्नों (श्रनाजों भौर दालों) में उत्पादन की कुल बढ़ौत्री १६५५-५६ की अपेक्षा, १६५६-५७ में कोई १४ लाख टन से भी ग्रधिक होने की संभावना है । टेमो ग्रनाजों ग्रौर दालों के उत्पादन पर खराब मौसम के कारण बुरा श्रसर पडा । यह ध्यान देने की बात है कि खाद्यान्नों के म्रतिरिक्त उत्पादन का लक्ष्य, १६५६-५७

†English translation.