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128. [Postponed to 6th March 1956.]
TRAINING OF SEAMEN IN THE T. S.
'DUFFERIN'

- 129. MOULANA M. FARUQI: Will the Minister for Transport be pleased to refer to paragraph 30 on page 16 of the Report of the Ministry of Transport for 1954-55 and state:
- (a) whether with effect from the year 1955, admissions to the T. S. 'Dufferin' are made in the month of August; and
- (b) the number of persons (i) trained in 1953-54 and 1954-55; and (ii) at present under training in the T. S. 'Dufferin'?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER FOR RAILWAYS AND TRANSPORT (SHRI O. V. ALAGESAN): (a) Yes;

- (b) (i) 1953-54 .. 100. 1954-55 .. 97.
- (ii) At present under training 50.

## नलकूप लगाने के लिये ऋण

१३०. श्री कृष्णकान्त व्यास: क्या खाद्य तथा कृषि मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि १६५४-५५ में नलकूप लगाने के लिये विभिन्न राज्यों को कुल कितना ऋण दिया गया ?

## †[LOAN FOR SINKING TUBEWELLS

130. SHRI KRISHNAKANT VYAS: Will the Minister for FOOD AND AGRICULTURE be pleased to state the total amount of loan given to the various States during 1954-55 for the sinking of tubewells?

खाद्य तथा कृषि मंत्री (श्री ग्रजित प्रसाद जैन): नलकूपों के लगाने के लिये १६५४-५५ में विभिन्न राज्यों को ऋण पर दी हुई कुल राशि संलग्न विवरण में दी गई:—— [देखिये परिशिष्ट १२, ग्रनुपत्र संख्या ४८] †[The MINISTER FOR FOOD AND-AGRICULTURE (Shri A. P. Jain): The total amount of loan given tovarious States during 1954-55 for sinking of tubewells is given in the statement attached. [See Appendix XII, Annexure No. 48.]

SETTING UP OF DIRECTORATE FOR SOIL CONSERVATION

131. SHRI M. GOVINDA REDDY: Will the Minister for Food and Agriculture be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Government propose toset up a Directorate for Soil Conservation;
- (b) if so, what are the particulars of the Directorate; and
- (c) what would be the relation of the Directorate with the Central So.: Conservation Board?

THE MINISTER FOR FOOD AND AGRICULTURE (SHRI A. P. JAIN):
(a) Yes, Sir.

(b) and (c). Details of the set-up of the Directorate and its functions vis-a-vis the Central Soil Conservation Board are under consideration.

## MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

MR. CHAIRMAN: I have to inform hon. Members that the following message has been received from the President:

"I have received with great satisfaction the expression of thanks by the Members of the Rajya Sabha for the address I delivered to both the Houses of Parliament assembled together on the 15th February, 1956."