

(d) how will the cost of such coaching unit compare with the price of a similar imported coaching unit?

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

(b) A statement is laid on the Table of the Sabha. [See Appendix X, Annexure No. 33.].

(c) November, 1957.

(d) A statement is laid on the Table of the Sabha. [See Appendix X, Annexure No. 34.].

#### CONTRIBUTORY HEALTH SERVICE SCHEME FOR CENTRAL GOVERNMENT EMPLOYEES

\*146. BABU GOPINATH SINGH: Will the Minister for HEALTH be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the dispensaries under the Central Health Scheme remain closed on Sundays except for emergent cases; and

(b) if so, whether in view of the fact that on a working day it is inconvenient for a Government servant, to attend, Government is considering the question of shifting the closed day in these dispensaries from Sunday to some other day of the week?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER FOR HEALTH (SHRIMATI M. CHANDRA-SEKHAR): (a) Yes.

(b) No.

#### PRODUCTION AND IMPORT OF SUGAR

\*147. SHRI B. C. GHOSE: Will the Minister for FOOD AND AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) the quantity of sugar so far produced in the current year;

(b) the present stock of sugar with sugar factories; and

(c) the quantity of sugar imported so far in the current year?

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

(a) 15.83 lakh tons.

(b) 7.58 lakh tons on 7th August 1955.

(c) 4.91 lakh tons (including 36,000 tons of raw sugar) from November 1954 to July 1955.

#### DINING CARS ON THE INDIAN RAILWAYS

52. SHRI N. D. M. PRASADARAO: Will the Minister for RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) the number and names of the contractors who have been given contracts for catering in the dining cars run on the Railways during 1954-55; and

(b) the contract money charged from these contractors?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER FOR RAILWAYS AND TRANSPORT (SHRI O. V. ALAGESAN): (a) the number and names of contractors who held contracts for catering in restaurant and dining cars during 1954-55 are given below:—

1. M/s. D. Aguiar and Co.
2. M/s. Dayal Restaurant, Council House, Lucknow.
3. M/s. Railway Catering Company, 20, Upper Circular Road, Calcutta.
4. M/s. Harrison & Co.
5. M/s. Spencer & Co.
6. M/s. Brandon & Co. Ltd.
7. M/s. Ballabhadas Eshwardas.