

THE BIHAR LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY DEBATES.

Friday, the 12th March, 1948.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE BIHAR LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY ASSEMBLED UNDER THE PROVISIONS OF THE GOVERNMENT OF INDIA ACT, 1935.

The Assembly met in the Assembly Chamber at Patna on Friday, the 12th March, 1948, at 11.30 A. M., the Hon'ble Mr. Vindhyeshwar Prasad a Varma in the Chair.

SHORT NOTICE QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS.

FORMATION OF KOSI ADVISORY COMMITTEE, DATES OF ITS MEETINGS, ITS SCOPE OF FUNCTIONS AND ITS PERSONNEL

10. **MR. HARINATH MISHRA:** Will the Hon'ble Minister in charge of the Revenue Department be pleased to state—

(a) whether any Kosi Advisory Committee or Committees have been formed, and if so, on which date or dates;

(b) if the answer to clause (a) be in the affirmative, the scope and functions of the said Committees;

(c) the dates of meetings, if any, of the said Committee or Committees together with the decisions arrived at;

(d) whether the Hon'ble Dr. Sri Krishna Sinha and Sri Kamal Jha are members of the said Committee and the date on which they were informed of the same?

The Hon'ble Mr. KRISHNA BALLABH SANAY : (a) The answer is in the affirmative.

Two Committees were formed on the 16th October, 1947.

(b) The scope and functions of the Committees are;

(i) to advise the Kosi Relief officer on plans for giving relief to the sufferers of the Kosi area;

(ii) to be in charge of entire relief work to be carried out in their respective areas subject to budget provision; and

(iii) to work generally separately but to sit in a joint session of both, if and when any subject under consideration so demanded.

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Mr. HARINATH MISHRA : Have Government issued any instructions to the Kosi Relief Officer to see that no long period lapses.

The Hon'ble the SPEAKER : This supplementary does not arise. The hon'ble member has exhausted his right of putting further Supplementaries.

RESUMPTION OF THROUGH TRAIN SERVICE BETWEEN RANCHI ROAD AND PATNA.

12. Mr. MUHAMMAD YASIN (Hazaribagh) : Will the Hon'ble Minister in charge of the Public Works Department be pleased to state—

(a) whether any action has been taken by Government on the resolution passed by the Assembly during its Ranchi session to resume the through train service between Ranchi Road and Patna ;

(b) if the answer to clause (a) be in the affirmative, actions which have been taken ?

The Hon'ble Mr. ABDUL QAIYUM ANSARI : Answer to clause (a) is in the affirmative.

(b) The Resolution was duly forwarded to the Government of India. While for warding the resolution the Provincial Government have strongly impressed on the Railway Board the desirability and urgency of running a through train service between Patna and Ranchi Road. The matter is still under consideration of the Railway Board.

Mr. JADUBANS SAHAY : Has the attention of Government been drawn to an answer given in the Central Legislature in reply to a question that no such resolution was received by them on behalf of the Provincial Government ?

The Hon'ble Mr. ABDUL QAIYUM ANSARI : Government have no information on this point, but if it is so, I am sure it is not correct.

Mr. PURSHOTTAM CHOHAN : Is the Hon'ble Minister aware that through train service is allowed by the Agent, East Indian Railway and not by the Railway Board ?

The Hon'ble Mr. ABDUL QAIYUM ANSARI : It is within the competence of the Railway Board.

Mr. SRISH CHANDRA BANERJEE : Will Government be pleased to state whether they propose to run a through train service from Patna to Ohaibassa ?

The Hon'ble the SPEAKER : I think this question does not arise.

Pandit DHANRAJ SHARMA : Will Government be pleased to state whether it will be possible to have a through train service from Patna to Ranchi Road before the next session of Ranchi ?

The Hon'ble Mr. ABDUL QAIYUM ANSARI : I have already said that the matter is under the consideration of the Railway Board. I cannot add anything further.

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Pandit DHANRAJ SHARMA : Will Government be pleased to state whether they have received any communication from the Railway Board in this connection ?

The Hon'ble Mr. ABDUL QAIYUM ANSARI : Nothing has been heard from the Railway Board so far.

Mr. RAMESHWAR PRASAD SINHA : In view of the ever-growing demand for a through train service from Patna to Ranchi Road will Government be pleased to send a fresh reminder to the Central Government emphasising this viewpoint ?

The Hon'ble Mr. ABDUL QAIYUM ANSARI : Of course, Sir.

QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS.

OPENING OF SUB-REGISTRY OFFICES-AT CHAKIA AND ARERAJ IN THE DISTRICT OF CHAMPARAN.

50. Mr. GANESH PRASAD SAH : Will the Hon'ble Minister in charge of the Revenue Department be pleased to state—

(a) whether Government have received any representation recommended by the District Officer of Champaran for opening of Sub registry offices at Chakia and Areraj in the district of Champaran ;

(b) if the answer to clause (a) be in the affirmative, whether any steps have been taken in the matter ; if so, what ; if not, why ?

The Hon'ble Mr. KRISHNA BALLASH SAMAY : (a) and (b). The representation has been received in the office of the Inspector-General of Registration and is under his consideration. It has not yet reached Government.

The Inspector-General of Registration has been asked to expedite the matter.

THE NUMBER OF EYE PATIENTS ADMITTED AND CURED IN THE PATNA MEDICAL COLLEGE HOSPITAL AND THE ANNUAL EXPENDITURE OVER THE EYE DEPARTMENT OF THE HOSPITAL.

51. Mr. BASUDEVA PRASAD SINHA : Will the Hon'ble Minister in charge of the Local Self-Government Department be pleased to state—

(a) the number of eye patients admitted to and cured in the years 1944, 1945, 1946 and 1947 in the Patna Medical College Hospital ;

(b) the annual expenditure in the years 1944, 1945, 1946 and 1947 over the eye department in the aforesaid hospital ;

(c) the names of the medical staff working in the said department of the said hospital ?