

### Prices of Jeera

**836. Shri M. B. Thakore:** Will the Minister of Food and Agriculture be pleased to state:

(a) whether there was a fall of about 50% in the prices of jeera in the year 1960-61;

(b) if so, the reasons therefor; and

(c) if not, the price of Jeera per maund every year since 1957?

**The Deputy Minister of Agriculture (Shri M. V. Krishnappa):** (a) No. The prices have been steady since July 1960.

(b) Does not arise.

(c) A statement showing month-end wholesale prices of Jeera (Cumminseed) from January, 1957 to date is attached. [See Appendix II, annexure No. 5].

### Compensation to the family of the late Shri Chandan Singh

**837. Shri M. B. Thakore:** Will the Minister of Railways be pleased to refer to the reply given to Starred Question No. 230 on the 18th February, 1960 and state:

(a) whether T. T. E. Chandan Singh's family is compensated by the Railway Administration for his loss of life;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor?

**The Deputy Minister of Railways (Shri S. V. Ramaswamy):** (a) and (b). A cheque for Rs. 3,500/- under Workmen's Compensation Act has been sent to the District Magistrate, Mathura for disbursement to the legal heirs of late Shri Chandan Singh. The widow of the deceased has been asked to produce succession certificate from the

court of law to enable the payment being arranged.

(c) Does not arise.

### P. & T. Circle Gujarat

**838. Shri M. B. Thakore:** Will the Minister of Transport and Communications be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the Government have taken final decision to set up P & T Circle for Gujarat; and

(b) if so, the details thereof?

**The Minister of Transport and Communications (Dr. P. Subbarayan):** (a) Yes. It was formed on 1-7-61.

(b) The details are given in the statement laid on the Table of the House.

### STATEMENT

The Gujarat P & T Circle started functioning with effect from the 1st July, 1961 under the charge of a Postmaster General with headquarters at Ahmedabad. The Gujarat Circle is broadly coterminous with the Gujarat State and consists of the following Postal, RMS, and Telegraph Units:—

(a) *Postal*:—All the postal Divisions in Gujarat State namely, Ahmedabad, Baroda, Bhavnagar, Cutch, Junagad, Kaira Mehsana, Rajkot and Surat.

(b) *R.M.S.* "W" and "RJ" Divisions.

(c) *Telegraph & Telephone Engineering*: The Rajkot and Ahmedabad Engineering Divisions. The transfer of the Ahmedabad Phones Division (from G. M. T. Bombay) is under consideration.

(d) *Telegraph Traffic*:—The two gazetted D.T.Os at Rajkot and Ahmedabad in addition to all the Telegraph Offices incharge of non-gazetted officers falling within the Gujarat State.