

Demands of National Federation of Posts and Telegraphs Employees

*362. { Shri A. K. Gopalan:
Shri Naushir Bharucha:

Will the Minister of Transport and Communications be pleased to state:

(a) whether a deputation on behalf of the National Federation of Posts and Telegraphs Employees' Union met him recently to discuss their grievances;

(b) if so, what are their demands; and

(c) whether Government have considered them?

The Minister of State in the Ministry of Transport and Communications (Shri Raj Bahadur): (a) Yes.

(b) A list of demands is laid on the Table of the Sabha. [See Appendix II, annexure No. 65]

(c) Government have considered all demands put up except 16 demands which fall within the terms of reference of the Commission of Enquiry into the Pay and Allowances of Central Government employees.

Derailment of Carriages

*363. Shri Raghunath Singh: Will the Minister of Railways be pleased to state whether it is a fact that two carriages of the Bhopal-Nagda passenger train which left Ujjain at 11.30 A.M. on January 8, 1958 were derailed at Piploda Bagla near Nagda?

The Deputy Minister of Railways (Shri Shah Nawaz Khan): There was no derailment; only the buffers of three coaches of 88 Up Bhopal-Nagda passenger train got interlocked with each other.

Victoria Terminus Station

*364. Dr. Sushila Nayar: Will the Minister of Railways be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that approximately a sum of Rs. 50,000 have been spent to wash the stone walls of Victoria Terminus Station; and

(b) if so, the reasons for this expenditure?

The Deputy Minister of Railways (Shri Shah Nawaz Khan): (a) and (b). It is not a fact that a sum of Rs. 50,000/- has been spent only to wash the stone walls of Victoria Terminus Station. However, it is a fact that the outside stone surface of the main Administration Offices building of the Central Railway at Victoria Terminus was treated with a special chemical compound the cost of which was about Rs. 52,000. This expenditure was considered necessary to preserve the stone surface which deteriorates due to weathering action, specially as a result of vagaries of heavy monsoon, the Saline atmosphere of Bombay area.

Slaughter House in Delhi

*365. Pandit D. N. Tiwary: Will the Minister of Health be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Government have approved the opening of a big slaughter-house in Delhi;

(b) if so, its location; and

(c) the amount proposed to be spent on its construction?

The Minister of Health (Shri D. F. Karmarkar): (a) No, Sir, but the proposal for re-locating the present slaughter-house is under consideration.

(b) and (c). Do not arise.

Food Production

*366. { Dr. Ram Subhag Singh:
Shri Shobha Ram:

Will the Minister of Food and Agriculture be pleased to state the steps taken by Government to improve

food production in the country in the light of Ashok Mehta Foodgrains Enquiry Committee Report?

The Deputy Minister of Food and Agriculture (Shri A. M. Thomas): The recommendations relating to food production have been examined individually and forwarded to the concerned State Governments, Central Ministries and Departments and are under their active consideration.

Hindustan Tibet Road

*367. Shri Panigrahi: Will the Minister of Transport and Communications be pleased to state:

(a) the progress made during the year 1957-58 so far in the construction of the Hindustan Tibet Road (N.H. 22); and

(b) the amount that Government proposes to spend for the construction of this road?

The Minister of State in the Ministry of Transport and Communications (Shri Raj Bahadur): (a) A statement is laid on the Table of the Sabha. [See Appendix II, annexure No. 66.]

(b) The cost of works either already taken up or proposed to be taken up during the First and Second Five-Year Plans is Rs. 408.74 lakhs.

दिल्ली में अलैनिक हवाई अड्डा

* ६८. { श्री भक्त वर्मा :
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श्री दी० चं० शर्मा :

क्या परिवहन तथा संचार मंत्री २० नवम्बर, १९५७ के अतिरिक्त प्रश्न संख्या ४३७ के उत्तर के सम्बन्ध में यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि दिल्ली में एक नया अलैनिक हवाई अड्डा स्थापित करने के बारे में स चीज क्या निर्णय किया गया है ?

परिवहन तथा संचार मंत्रालय में राज्य मंत्री (श्री सुभाष कबीर) : अभी तक कोई फैसला नहीं किया गया ।

All-India Institute of Medical Sciences

*368. Dr. Sushila Nayar: Will the Minister of Health be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the medical students from the All-India Institute of Medical Sciences have no hospital for clinical teaching;

(b) whether it is also a fact that the Safdarjung Hospital was taken over from the State Government with the specific object of serving as a nucleus for building up the All-India Medical Institute; and

(c) if so, the reasons for not using the Safdarjung Hospital for the purpose?

The Minister of Health (Shri Karmarkar): (a) It is a fact that the All-India Institute of Medical Sciences has no hospital of its own. Arrangements for clinical teaching of students have been made in the Safdarjung Hospital.

(b) Yes, Sir.

(c) Though the Safdarjung Hospital was originally intended to form part of the Institute, it was later decided that the Institute should have its own 650 bedded hospital and Safdarjung Hospital utilised for the patients under the Contributory Health Service Scheme and the public. However, 60 beds in the Safdarjung Hospital have been made available to the All-India Institute of Medical Sciences at present for clinical teaching.

Fertilizers

392. Shri Panigrahi: Will the Minister of Food and Agriculture be pleased to state the total quantity of fertilizers supplied by the Central Government to Orissa during 1955-56, 1956-57 and 1957-58 so far?