

**U.K.-India Shipping Conference**

\*2098. Shri Raghunath Singh: Will the Minister of Transport and Communications be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the U.K.-India shipping conference have agreed to transact freight charges in rupees; and

(b) if so, the details of the agreement?

The Minister of State in the Ministry of Transport and Communications (Shri Raj Bahadur): (a) and (b). Yes, Sir. The U.K./India Shipping Conference have decided to accept, with effect from 1-4-1959, payment of freight in rupees in India in respect of cargoes shipped from the U.K. to India.

**Doubling of Delhi-Sarai Rohilla-Rewari Section**

\*2098. Shri Ram Krishan Gupta: Will the Minister of Railways be pleased to refer to the reply given to Starred Question No. 629 on the 28th August, 1958 and state the progress made so far in the doubling of the Delhi-Sarai Rohilla-Garhi Harsaru Section of the Northern Railway?

The Deputy Minister of Railways (Shri S. V. Ramaswamy): Of the 30 miles partial doubling on Delhi-Rewari Section, 23 miles portion between Delhi Sarai Rohilla and Garhi Harsaru has since been opened to goods traffic. The 7 mile portion between Khallipur and Rewari is programmed to be opened to goods traffic by June 1959. It is expected that the entire section may be opened to passenger traffic by the end of the year.

**Ticketless Travelling**

3580. { Shri Ram Krishan Gupta:  
Shri Pangarkar:  
Shri Raghunath Singh:  
Shri Bibhut Mishra:  
Shri D. C. Sharma:  
Sardar Iqbal Singh:  
Shri Chuni Lal:

Will the Minister of Railways be pleased to state:

(a) the number of ticketless travellers detected on the Railways during 1957-58 and 1958-59 (Zone-wise);

(b) the total amount of loss of revenues during the same period on the above account (Zone-wise);

(c) the number of those who were penalised (Zone-wise); and

(d) the total amount realised from them (Zone-wise)?

The Deputy Minister of Railways (Shri Shah Nawaz Khan): (a) to (d). A statement showing the required information is laid on the Table of the Sabha. [See Appendix VII, annexure No. 63.]

**Export of Rice From Punjab**

3581. Shri Ram Krishan Gupta: Will the Minister of Food and Agriculture be pleased to state:

(a) the total quantity of rice exported so far from Punjab since the 1st November, 1958; and

(b) the total quantity exported, State-wise?

The Minister of Food and Agriculture (Shri A. P. Jain): (a) and (b). During the period November 1, 1958 to April 15, 1959, about 61,200 tons of rice were sent on Government account from Punjab to other States and to Defence Services as indicated below:—

Name of the State	Approximate quantities despatched (in tons)
Jammu and Kashmir	9,400
Bombay	39,900
West Bengal	1,400
Himachal Pradesh	200
Defence Services	10,300
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>61,200</b>

The figures of export to other parts of the Zone on trade account are not available.