

Calcutta port and it may be introduced with respect to Madras also.

TELEGRAPH EXHIBITION

*1020. **Shri Bheekha Bhai:** Will the Minister of **Communications** be pleased to state:

(a) the amount of money expended on setting up of the Telegraph Centenary Exhibition at Eastern Court in New Delhi; and

(b) whether this exhibition will go from city to city as was done in the case of the Railways Centenary Exhibition?

The Deputy Minister of Communications (Shri Raj Bahadur): (a) On the basis of information available upto approximately Rs. 1,95,000 have been spent on the setting up and running the Telegraph Centenary Exhibition.

(b) The question of sending the exhibits to Calcutta, Bombay and Madras is under consideration.

Shri Bheekha Bhai: May I know, Sir, what is the amount of the proceeds collected from admission tickets and other sources during the exhibition period?

Shri Raj Bahadur:

	Rs
Rental charges ...	16,300
Sale of commemoration volumes.	410
Sale of handbooks ...	575
Advertisements on handbooks.	6,700
Souvenir telephones	1,795
Tickets	12,502
Miscellaneous ...	1,025.

Apart from these, philatelic sales—the centenary stamps—are expected to fetch a revenue of about Rs. 2 lakhs.

Shri Bheekha Bhai: May I know, Sir, whether this is going to be made a permanent feature?

Shri Raj Bahadur: The exhibition was for a temporary period—one month. It cannot be made permanent.

The exhibition will be shown at Bombay, Calcutta and Madras, as I have just submitted.

सेठ गोविन्द दास : बम्बई, कलकत्ता और मद्रास को छोड़ कर बाकी स्थानों के एग्जीबीशन भेजने का विचार है या नहीं और यदि नहीं है तो क्यों नहीं है ?

श्री राज बहादुर : यह विचाराधीन है ।

Mr. Deputy-Speaker: The Question-hour is over.

WRITTEN ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS

CONTRACT SYSTEM OF HAMALS

*1002. **Shri Madhao Reddi:** Will the Minister of **Railways** be pleased to state whether the Central Railway Authorities have extended the contract system of Hamals to deal with loading and unloading of goods to the former N. S. Railway, in which the co-operative system of Sowcarhamals was prevalent so far?

The Deputy Minister of Railways and Transport (Shri Alagesan): The contract system of loading and unloading goods has been extended to Secunderabad, Hyderabad and Kacheguda Stations—on the former Nizam's State Railway portion of the Central Railway in replacement of the "Sowcarhamal" system.

RECOGNITION OF M. B., B. S. DEGREE OF DARBHANGA MEDICAL COLLEGE

*1003. **Shri L. N. Mishra:** Will the Minister of **Health** be pleased to state:

(a) whether any decision has been taken about the recognition of M.B., B.S. degree of the Darbhanga Medical College (Bihar); and

(b) if so, whether the Indian Medical Council has now recognised that degree?