

for bringing about a measure of uniformity in certain conditions of service of the Corporation's employees such as casual leave, holidays, sick leave, travelling allowances etc. Even these interim recommendations are to be regarded as of a tentative nature, pending the submission of the committee's final report.

(d) The Committee was appointed by the Indian Airlines Corporation and it will submit its report to the Corporation.

ROADS IN N.E.F.A.

*1571. **Shri Rishang Kelshing:** Will the Minister of Transport be pleased to state the mileage of motorable roads completed so far in the North-East Frontier Agency?

The Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister of Railways and Transport (Shri Shahnawaz Khan): About 25 miles since April 1951. In addition, 80 miles of jeepable roads have been constructed and 91 miles of motorable roads improved.

R.M.S.

*1573. **Th. Jugal Kishore Sinha:** Will the Minister of Communications be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is any proposal to have a division of the R.M.S. to improve the mail-arrangements of North Bihar; and

(b) at what stage the proposal is at present?

The Deputy Minister of Communications (Shri Raj Bahadur): (a) The question of reorganization of R.M.S. Divisions in India which includes provision of a separate division for North Bihar is under consideration.

(b) The proposal is yet in the initial stages.

NATIONAL HIGHWAYS IN ANDHRA

*1574. **Shri C. R. Chowdary:** Will the Minister of Transport be pleased to state:

(a) the mileage of tarred and cemented roads of the National Highways constructed in Andhra State from 1951 to 1954; and

(b) what is the target expected to be reached by the end of the Five Year Plan?

The Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister of Railways and Transport (Shri Shahnawaz Khan): (a) and (b). A statement giving the required information is laid on the Table of the House. [See Appendix VI, annexure No. 37.]

TELEPHONES AND TELEGRAPH OFFICES FOR GODAVARI DISTRICT

*1579. **Shri N. R. Naidu:** Will the Minister of Communications be pleased to state:

(a) whether there are at present any proposals to instal telephone systems and open telegraph offices at any new places in East Godavari District; and

(b) if so, when these facilities will be provided?

The Deputy Minister of Communications (Shri Raj Bahadur): (a) Yes. It is proposed to open 4 exchanges, 2 Public Call Offices and one Telegraph Office.

(b) Before November 1954.

DISPLACED RAILWAY EMPLOYEES

*1581. **Shri T. B. Vittal Rao:** (a) Will the Minister of Railways be pleased to state whether the attention of Government has been drawn to the judgment delivered during the third week of March, 1954 by the Bombay High Court wherein it was held that "Railway employees who had opted for service in Pakistan and made their final choice in favour of service in India within the prescribed time were entitled to their wages from the day they reported for duty"?

(b) How many Railway employees have not been paid such wages?

The Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister of Railways and Transport (Shri Shahnawaz Khan): (a) A press report to the effect has come to notice but a copy of the judgment is awaited.