

Shri Nanadas: May I know whether the Government is contemplating to auction these lands in of the zones for temporary cultivation?

Shri L. B. Shastri: As I just now said the State Governments are entrusted with this work and they allot the land to whomsoever they think best.

Shri Nanadas: May I know whether there is any proposal for having fences for these Railway lands as we have had in Hyderabad Railways?

Shri L. B. Shastri: There is no such proposal:

पंडित एस० सी० मिश्र : आप क्या यह सलाह स्टेट गवर्नमेंट को देते हैं कि यह जो रेलव की छुटी हुई जमीन है वह बिना जमीन वाले काश्तकारों या खास कर बेजमीन हरिजनों को दी जाय, और अगर नहीं दी तो उनको देन के लिये आवश्यक इस्ट्रक्शंस राज्य सरकारों को देंगे ?

श्री ए० बी० शास्त्री : स्टेट गवर्नमेंट्स इस मामले में स्वयं समझदार हैं और उम्मीद करता हूँ कि इन बातों को वह खयाल रखते हैं जबकि वह दूसरों को जमीन देते हैं।

पंडित एस० सी० मिश्र : आपकी तरफ से उनको एसी कोई सलाह नहीं दी जाती है ? दस

Mr. Speaker: It is not a question of argument; it is clearly not a matter for them.

Pandit S. C. Mishra: My point was not answered: whether they give any advice or not.

Mr. Speaker: They are not to give any advice.

Pandit S. C. Mishra: Let them say so.

FREE PASSES FOR RAILWAY EMPLOYEES

***834. Shri Kandasamy:** Will the Minister of Railways be pleased to state:

(a) whether the dearness pay recommended by the Gadgil Committee and accepted by Government is taken as pay for the purpose of issue of free passes to the Railway employees; and

(b) if not, the reasons therefor?

The Deputy Minister of Railways and Transport (Shri Alagesan): (a) No.

(b) It is not considered desirable to increase the numbers or railway staff entitled to the higher classes of passes.

Shri Kandasamy: Does it not mean a denial of the benefit partially to the railwaymen?

Mr. Speaker: He is asking for an opinion.

Shri Alagesan: We do not consider it so.

Shri Kandasamy: Is it justifiable and will the Government rectify this injustice?

Mr. Speaker: Order, order. I am going to the next question.

INCIDENT AT HOWRAH STATION

***835. Shri S. C. Samanta:** Will the Minister of Railways be pleased to state:

(a) whether there was an exchange of fire between two desperadoes getting down at Howrah Station from the Punjab Mail and the Railway Police on Sunday, the 21st February, 1954 in the precincts of the Howrah Railway Station;

(b) if so, the details of the incident; and

(c) how many persons were killed and injured in the incident?

The Deputy Minister of Railways and Transport (Shri Alagesan): (a) Yes.