Shri M. D. Ramasami: 2062, Sir.

Mr. Speaker: Has he got the autho-rity?

Shri M. D. Ramasami; Yes, Sir.

Mr. Speaker: He should produce it in time. He may put that question.

SELECTION POSTS ON RAILWAYS

- *2062. Shri M. D. Ramasami (on behalf of Shri Muniswamy): (a) Will the Minister of Railways be pleased to state whether it is a fact that certain posts on the scale of Rs. 150—225 on Railways are to be classified as selection posts?
 - (b) If the answer to part (a) above be in the affirmative, what are the posts classified as such?
 - (c) Is this classification power left to the individual Railway Administration or a uniform policy will be followed throughout Indian Railways?

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

- (b) The matter is under consideration.
- (c) A uniform policy will be followed, as far as possible.

सरबार ए० एस० सहगल : सेलेक्शन पोर्स्ट्स के लियें जोनल सिस्टम बनने के बाद क्या यह सच है कि जो पुरानी एरियाज थीं, उन में जो लोग कार्य करते थे उनको यह जगहें नहीं दी जाती हैं?

Shri Alagesan: It is not correct. The Railway Board have laid down certain uniform principles, and on the basis of those principles the various Railway Administrations have been asked to compile combined seniority lists.

सरबार ए० एस० सहगरू: सेलेक्शन ग्रेंड्स के सम्बन्ध में इस तरह की कितनी रिपोर्टें रैलवे बोर्ड और मंत्री महोदय के पास इंबी हैं?

रेल तथा परिषहन मंत्री (श्री एल • -बी॰ शास्त्री): जो सवाल है वह दूसरे विषय पर है। माननीय सदस्य कुछ गलली कर रहे हैं। जिन बातों को वह पूछ रहे हैं उनका इस सवाल से कोई मतलब नहीं है। सथाल सिफं यह है कि एक हद तक सीनियारिटी से प्रमोशन देने का फैसला रेलवे मिनिस्ट्री ने किया। उसी के अन्दर कुछ जगहें ऐसी हैं जिन के लिये सीनियारिटी से नहीं बल्कि सेलेक्शन से भरने का फैसला किया गया है। सवाल यह था कि आया उन सब जगहों के लिये एक सी नीति होगी या कि कुछ फर्क होगा, तो उसका जदाब यह है कि हम इस के कायदे बना रहे हें और में उम्मीद करता हूं कि हमारी सब के लिये समान नीति होगी।

Mr. Speaker: The Question list is over.

WRITTEN ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS

SHIPPING

- *2072. Shri K. C. Sodhia: (a) Will the Minister of Transport be pleased to state the total share of the export trade of this country booked with the Indian shipping during 1953-54?
- (b) What steps are Government taking to secure a greater share of the export trade for the Indian Shipping?

The Deputy Minister of Railways and Transport (Shri Alagesan): (a) Information is available only for the calendar year 1953 and it shows that Indian shipping had carried 3,88,668 dead-weight tons of export cargo in the overseas trades during that year. Attention of the hon. Member is also invited in this connection to the reply given to starred question No. 1870 asked by Shri Raghunath Singh on the 19th April 1954.

(b) Since shipping is in the private sector of our economy and our export trade is largely in private hands, it is for the Indian shipping companies themselves to take the initiative for securing adequate cargo for their ships