

Shri B. S. Murthy: May I know whether those concerned anticipated the downpour of rain and whether there has been any negligence?

Mr. Speaker: Order, order. His question was with reference to negligence. He is now putting it a little differently.

Dr. Ram Subhag Singh: Was it not possible for the Government to get these 60 tons of wheat distributed among the people on the day it was drenched by water?

Shri Kidwai: After the heavy downpour, the godown was immediately inspected, and it was found that all of them was not damaged. The water came from below and damaged some wheat. The wheat so damaged was immediately taken out.

Shrimati Jayashri: May I know Sir whether this damaged wheat was in a fit condition for human consumption.

Shri Kidwai: That portion which was fit for human consumption was taken out, and after being dried, was distributed. Sixty tons have been found to be unfit for any use.

Pandit Thakur Das Bhargava: What is the amount of grain stored in Bombay?

Shri Kidwai: I will require notice for it.

WRITTEN ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS

यात्रियों को सुविधायें

*१४७३. सेठ गोविन्द दास : (क) : क्या रेल मंत्री यह बतलाने की कृपा करेंगे कि १९५१-५२ वर्ष में सारी रेलों पर यात्रियों को सुविधायें प्रदान करने में कितनी राशि व्यय की गयी ?

(ख) सुविधाओं की मुख्य मदें क्या हैं ?

(ग) क्या प्लेटफार्मों और यात्रियों के प्लेटफार्मों के ऊपर छदकों (शेड) की व्यवस्था भी सुविधाओं में गिनी जाती है ?

The Minister of Railways and Transport (Shri L. B. Shastri): (a) The expenditure during 1951-52, booked so far, is Rs. 2,35,28,000.

(b) Details of the principal items of amenities provided during 1951-52 are given in the Pamphlet 'Towards Better Conditions of Travel' circulated to the Members of the House with Budget Papers.

(c) Provision of sheds over passenger platforms is treated as a passenger amenity but provision of new passenger platform in an existing station is not classified as such. Extension, raising, widening and surfacing of existing passenger platforms, however, come under the category of passenger amenity works.

मध्यम श्रेणी और तीसरी श्रेणी के डिब्बे

*१४७४. सेठ गोविन्द दास : (क) क्या रेल मंत्री मध्यम श्रेणी और तीसरी श्रेणी के डिब्बों में अब तक लगाये गये पंखों की संख्या बतलाने की कृपा करेंगे ?

(ख) मध्यम और तीसरी श्रेणी के कितने डिब्बों में अभी पंखे लगाने बाकी हैं ?

(ग) क्या कोई ऐसा कार्यक्रम निश्चित किया गया है, जिस में यह लक्ष्य रखा गया हो कि इतने समय के भीतर तीसरी श्रेणी के सभी डिब्बों में पंखे लगा दिये जायेंगे, और यदि रखा गया है तो कितना ?

The Minister of Railways and Transport (Shri L. B. Shastri): (a) About 4,600 in Inter and about 12,400 in III.

(b) About 300 Inter Class coaches and about 2000 Third Class coaches of those selected for fitting. It is not proposed to fit up coaches due scrapping shortly.

(c) The coaches are fitted up as they come in for overhaul. In view of the shortage, they are not withdrawn from use only for this purpose. New coaches incorporate all the features of the improved standard adopted—viz., 12 fans, a coach, better lighting and better sanitary and other facilities.

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(ख) इस स्रोत से अजित डालरों की राशि क्या है ?