

The enquiry was started in February 1951. So far, returns have been received from Uttar Pradesh, Punjab, Assam, Delhi and Madras regions and are being tabulated. Returns are still due from West Bengal, Bihar, Orissa, Madhya Pradesh and Bombay regions. The delay in completion of the enquiry is due to difficulties in getting returns from industries and establishments on a voluntary basis. It is expected that the enquiry will be completed by the end of February, 1953.

(d) The information received will be tabulated in the Directorate General of Resettlement and Employment and used departmentally in modifying the seating capacity in various trades according to the needs of the areas concerned.

#### PORT DEVELOPMENT FUND

\*346. **Shri K. C. Sodhia:** (a) Will the Minister of Transport be pleased to state whether Government have come to a final decision regarding the creation of a Port Development Fund?

(b) What was the total amount, if any, spent by Government during 1949-50, 1950-51, and 1951-52 for this purpose?

(c) What is the total approximate amount likely to be raised annually by the institution of this fund?

(d) If Government have not come to a decision in this matter so far, how long are they likely to take to do it?

**The Minister of Railways and Transport (Shri L. B. Shastri):** (a) No

(b) Nil.

(c) The proceeds will depend on the manner and rate of levy and it is too early to make an estimate

(d) The question is under consideration. It will be placed before the National Harbour Board at its forthcoming meeting.

#### DELHI TRANSPORT SERVICE

\*347. **Shri Radha Raman:** (a) Will the Minister of Transport be pleased to state what is the total strength of Delhi Transport Service buses plying in the State of Delhi and how this strength has increased year by year since its creation?

(b) What profits the company earned during each year and whether it compares favourably with the profits of the Gwallor and Northern India Transport Company Ltd. which

was previously running its buses in Delhi?

**The Minister of Railways and Transport (Shri L. B. Shastri):** (a) The total strength of Delhi Transport Service buses plying at present in the State of Delhi is 270. A statement showing how this strength has been reached year by year since the service was taken over by Government is placed on the Table of the House. [See Appendix II, annexure No. 27.]

(b) A statement giving the information required is laid on the Table of the House. [See Appendix II, annexure No. 28]

#### LABOUR CONFERENCE AT NAINITAL

\*348. **Shri Basappa:** Will the Minister of Labour be pleased to state:

(a) the important Resolutions recommended by the Labour Conference recently held at Nainital, to the Central Government for implementation; and

(b) what actions have been taken by Government to implement the same?

**The Minister of Labour (Shri V. V. Giri):** (a) Important matters relating to Industrial Relations were discussed but no resolutions, as such, were adopted. A committee was also set up for further examination of the matter in the light of the views expressed at the Conference.

(b) The meeting of the Committee referred to above has been convened at New Delhi from the 4th to 6th December, 1952.

#### TRUNK TELEPHONE CONNECTION FOR MYSORE

\*349. **Shri Basappa:** Will the Minister of Communications be pleased to state:

(a) the number of stations in the State of Mysore that have so far been connected by Trunk Telephone with other parts of Indian Union;

(b) whether any representations have been received for Trunk Telephone connections between Tiptur Town and Tumkur Town in Mysore State; and

(c) if so, what is the probable date of giving them Trunk Telephone connections?

**The Deputy Minister of Communications (Shri Raj Bahadur):** (a) Five. Mysore, Bangalore, Kolar Gold Fields, Davangere and Chitaldrug.

(b) Yes, for Tumkur but not for Tiptur.

(c) Trunk facilities will be extended to Tumkur during the current financial year. The provision of facilities at Tiptur is under examination.

#### Khadi DRESSES FOR POSTAL AND RAILWAY WORKERS

\*350. **Shri Sivamurthi Swami:** Will the Minister of Labour be pleased to state whether there is any proposal under consideration to introduce khadi dresses for all the postal as well as Railway workers?

**The Minister of Labour (Shri V. V. Giri):** The question of using khadi for supply of uniforms to all the Posts and Telegraphs staff has been examined and it has been decided as a matter of policy that khadi should be used on as large a scale as possible for uniforms and other miscellaneous purposes.

As regards Railway workers, the question is still under consideration.

#### ANTI-MALARIA CENTRES

\*351. **Shri Sivamurthi Swami:** Will the Minister of Health be pleased to state the number of anti-malaria centres working in India with the help of World Health Organization?

**The Minister of Health (Rajkumari Amrit Kaur):** At present one malaria control demonstration team is operating in Uttar Pradesh under the joint auspices of W.H.O./F.A.O. and the State Government.

#### Janata TRAINS

\*352. **Shri Achuthan:** Will the Minister of Railways be pleased to state:

(a) how many additional third class carriages were put on the line during the first two quarters of the current financial year to relieve the congestion and how many more carriages do Government expect to put on the lines during the remaining half of this year;

(b) what are the lines on which Janata Expresses are run at present and on what other lines they are going to be extended; and

(c) when the second Janata Express is expected on the Delhi-Madras line?

**The Minister of Railways and Transport (Shri L. B. Shastri):** (a) 134 Additional Third Class Carriages were put on the line between 1-4-52 and 30-9-52 and another 450 are expected to be put into service during the remaining 6 months of the present financial year.

(b) A list showing the sections on which Janata Express trains run is placed on the Table of the House. [See Appendix II, annexure No. 29]

— It will be observed that they are provided on most of the important sections. With progressive improvement in availability of coaching stock and power, Railway Administrations will continue to increase the number of such services as demands for them arise.

(c) A bi-weekly Janata Express service between Madras and Delhi, in lieu of the present weekly service, is under investigation but no definite date has yet been fixed for its inauguration.

#### POST OFFICES FOR RAJASTHAN

105. **Shri Karni Singhji:** (a) Will the Minister of Communications be pleased to state the number of Post and Telegraph Offices opened in Rajasthan in the year 1951-52, giving the names of places where they were opened?

(b) How many new Post and Telegraph Offices are proposed to be opened during the current year in rural and urban areas of Rajasthan respectively?

**The Deputy Minister of Communications (Shri Raj Bahadur):** (a) (i) Post-Offices—216. The names of the post offices are given in the annexed statement "A".

(ii) Departmental Telegraph Offices. ....Nil.

(iii) Combined Post and Telegraph Offices.....9.

The names of the combined Post and Telegraph Offices are given in the annexed Statement 'B'.

(b) (i) Post Offices (Rural 7 Urban Nil)

[For statement 'A' and 'B', See Appendix II, annexure No. 30]

There are only 9 villages in Rajasthan with a population of 2,000 or more that have not yet been provided with post offices. In one case, the route has been declared unsafe and in another case, the loss is beyond the permissible limit. Proposals for opening Post Offices in the remaining 7 villages are under consideration.