

(b) if so, whether Government will lay on the Table of the House a copy of the orders issued in this regard; and

(c) if not, when the proposal is expected to materialise?

The Deputy Minister of Communications (Shri Raj Bahadur): (a) Yes.

(b) The details of the scheme are under examination.

(c) No date can be given at this stage.

RAILWAY ROLLING STOCK

***517. Shri V. Missir:** Will the Minister of Railways be pleased to state:

(a) the number of steam locomotives received so far from West Germany during this year;

(b) the total cost of these locomotives;

(c) whether it is a fact that a large portion of the order is still pending; and

(d) if so, the reasons therefor?

The Deputy Minister of Railways and Transport (Shri Alagasan): (a) 72 locomotives have been received from 1-4-1954 to 31-1-1955.

(b) A statement is placed on the Table of the Lok Sabha. [See Appendix III, annexure No. 39].

(c) Yes, but there is no delay in supply of locomotives from West Germany.

(d) Locos are being completed according to contracted delivery and so the question does not arise.

UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE

***518. Shri T. B. Vittal Rao:** Will the Minister of Labour be pleased to refer to the reply given to starred question No. 63 on the 16th November, 1954 and state:

(a) whether the working group appointed to study the problem of unemployment insurance has since submitted their report; and

(b) if not, when they are likely to submit their report?

The Minister of Labour (Shri Khan-duhai Desai): (a) No, Sir,

(b) Within a couple of months.

INDIAN TELEPHONE INDUSTRIES

***519. Shri K. C. Sodhia:** Will the Minister of Communications be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Managing Director of the Indian Telephone Industries visited any foreign countries during 1954-55 with a view to securing market for its products; and

(b) if so, the names of the countries which he visited and the results achieved as a result of this visit?

The Deputy Minister of Communications (Shri Raj Bahadur): (a) Yes.

(b) The Manager, Indian Telephone Industries, visited Burma in November, 1954 and the Managing Director visited Indonesia in January-February 1955. There are no immediate prospects of any substantial business in Burma, as that Government have recently placed a large contract with a foreign firm. The Managing Director has recently submitted his report on his visit to Indonesia. The suggestions made in the report are being examined.

CALCUTTA PORT

***520. Shri M. S. Gurupadaswamy:** Will the Minister of Transport be pleased to state:

(a) the total revenue receipts of the Calcutta Port during the year 1953-54;

(b) whether it is a fact that although the receipts have been less than the previous year, the expenditure has increased;

(c) if so, the reasons therefor; and

(d) the steps taken to balance the receipt and expenditure for the next year?