

which for the year 1966-67 is as under:

	Rs.
Delhi Jn.	61,840
New Delhi	19,920
Madras Central	7,208
Madras Egmore	2,805
Howrah	73,610
Secaldah	34,546
Bombay V.T.	42,608
Bombay Central	(For 1966) 9,090

(b) The licence fee is fixed on "no-profit-no-loss" basis just to cover the cost of supervision and uniforms, wherever provided. The question of spending the amount on welfare measures, therefore, does not arise.

Block and Signal Inspectors on the Railways

7977. Shri S. C. Besra: Will the Minister of Railways be pleased to refer to the reply given to Unstarred Question No. 2075 on the 9th June, 1967 and state:

(a) the total number of Block and Signal Inspectors who have been posted on supervisory post (Chargemen and Foremen) in Signal Workshops on the Northern and Central Railways showing in each case the period of each incumbent;

(b) the total number of supervisory posts in the said Workshops; and

(c) whether the posting of such staff affect the channel of promotion of the workshop supervisory staff on regular cadre?

The Minister of Railways (Shri C. M. Poonacha): (a) (i) Northern Railway:

Though employees of open line are not normally posted against long term vacancies in the supervisory posts as mentioned in reply to Unstarred Question No. 2075 on 9-6-67, it has been found necessary to earmark 2 posts of chargemen in the scale of Rs. 250-380 for inspection of material in the workshop and it is considered that experienced line staff should occupy these posts in the interest of

work. These 2 posts are held by two employees from the open line, one from 18-7-1957 and the other from 3-2-1967.

In addition, one post of Foreman in the scale of Rs. 370-475 is also earmarked to be manned only by experienced line staff in the interest of work. This post has been filled by an employee from the open line from 15-3-66.

(ii) Central Railway Nil.

(b) (i) Northern Railway — 24

(ii) Central Railway — 38

(c) Does not arise.

Office of the Indian Trade Organisation in East Berlin

7978. Shri Kanwar Lal Gupta: Will the Minister of Commerce be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that an office of the Indian Trade Organisation was recently opened in East Berlin;

(b) if so, why there was so much delay in opening this office; and

(c) the reaction of the Government of West Germany thereto?

The Minister of Commerce (Shri Dinesh Singh): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) There was no abnormal delay.

(c) The Federal Republic of West Germany do not recognise GDR and would, naturally, not like us to have relations with them. However, we have considered it useful to have the office of the Indian Trade Organisation in East Berlin.

वाइला रेलवे स्टेशन के निकट मालगाड़ी का लूटा जाना

7979. श्री राम सिंह अयरवाल :

श्री श्री० प्र० त्यागी :

श्री रामगोपाल शालबाले :

श्री हुकूम खन् कछबाय :

क्या रेलवे मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि:

(क) क्या यह सब है कि रेलवे सुरक्षा