

mated at Rs. 11.42 crores for B.G., and Rs. 8.95 crores for M.G. and the line was found to be unremunerative. Therefore, the proposal for its construction was shelved.

(b) No.

(c) Does not arise.

#### Over-bridge at Dohad Railway Station

2825. Shri Dhuleshwar Meena:

Shri K. Pradhani:

Shri Heerji Bhai:

Shri Bhaljibhai Parmar:

Will the Minister of Railways be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is any provision in the Fourth Five Year Plan for the construction of an under-bridge at the Dohad Railway Station crossing on Dohad-Jhalod Road; and

(b) if so, the outlay thereof?

The Minister of Railways (Shri C. M. Poonacha): (a) and (b). There is a proposal for construction of a road overbridge in replacement of the existing level crossing at Dohad Station on Dohad-Jhalod Road. A provision of Rs. 5,000 has been made by the Railway during 1967-68 for the Railway's share of the cost of the work, and funds to meet the rest of the Railway's share of cost will be available during the subsequent years of the Fourth Five Year Plan.

#### Commercial Clerks

2826. Shri P. N. Solanki: Will the Minister of Railways be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Commercial Inspectors such as Coaching and Goods Inspectors, Commercial Inspectors, Claims Prevention Inspectors, Claims Inspectors, Reweighment Inspectors and Luggage Inspectors are not recruited wholly from the Commercial Clerks; and

(b) if so, the reason therefor?

The Minister of Railways (Shri C. M. Poonacha): (a) Yes.

(b) 25 per cent of vacancies of Inspectors in scale Rs. 250-380 in the Commercial Department are filled by recruitment of graduates as Commercial Apprentices with a view to improve administrative efficiency. The remaining vacancies are filled by promotion of suitable Assistant Inspectors and Commercial staff.

#### Supply of Uniform to Commercial Clerks

2827. Shri P. N. Solanki: Will the Minister of Railways be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that on certain railways complete uniform is not supplied to the Commercial Clerks; and

(b) if so, reasons therefor?

The Minister of Railways (Shri C. M. Poonacha): (a) Yes, so far as categories like Booking, Parcel and Goods clerks are concerned.

(b) Standardisation of Uniforms introduced in 1963 did not envisage supply of uniforms to these categories of Commercial Clerks except in cases where they were being supplied uniforms prior to such standardisation.

#### Higher Grade Posts in Commercial Category

2828. Shri P. N. Solanki: Will the Minister of Railways be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the percentage of higher grade posts is the lowest in the Commercial Category as compared to other categories such as Ticket Collectors, Assistant Station Masters, Train Examiners, Reservation Clerks and Special Ticket Examiners; and

(b) if so, whether Government propose to raise it?