

The Minister of Railways (Shri C. M. Poonacha): (a) No.

(b) Does not arise.

#### Chikna Halt Station

663. Shri S. C. Jha: Will the Minister of Railways be pleased to refer to the reply given to Unstarred Question No. 327 on the 31st March, 1967 and state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Chikna Halt station which previously enjoyed the power of (i) issuing tickets for places like Howrah, Puri, Deogarh (ii) issuing First and Second Class tickets (iii) issuing B.P.T. and (iv) making luggage parcel, has been deprived of all such powers; and

(b) if so, the reasons therefor?

The Minister of Railways (Shri C. M. Poonacha): (a) and (b). Halt stations are open only for booking of local Third Class passengers. The Halt Agent, Chikna Halt was irregularly issuing blank paper tickets, luggage tickets and through tickets prior to 1-4-63. With effect from 1-4-63 only tickets for local Third Class passengers are being issued at Chikna Halt.

#### Tube Railway in Delhi

664. Shri Sidheshwar Prasad:  
Shri Shashi Kanjan:

Will the Minister of Railways be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the Town and Country Planning Organisation has suggested that there should be a tube railway in the Capital to solve its perennial transport problem; and

(b) if so, the decision taken in the matter?

The Minister of Railways (Shri C. M. Poonacha): (a) No.

(b) Does not arise.

#### विदेशों को रेलों की सप्लाई

666. श्री सिद्धेश्वर प्रसाद : क्या इस्पात, खान तथा बातु मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या यह सच है कि भिलाई इस्पात कारखाने को रेलें सप्लाई करने के लिए विदेशों से आदेश मिले हैं ;

(ख) यदि हाँ, तो आदेश किन-किन देशों में मिले हैं तथा प्रत्येक देश को कितनी रेलें सप्लाई की जायेंगी ; और

(ग) क्या विदेशी इस्पात कारखाना अब अपनी पूरी क्षमता में काम कर नकेगा ?

इस्पात, खान तथा बातु मंत्रालय में राज्य मंत्री (श्री प्र० चं० तेली) :

(क) जी, हाँ।

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(ख) भूडान	28,000
घाना	4,075
मलेशिया	2,810
ईरान	32,130
उरुग्वे	16,152

(ग) इन घाटों के बावजूद भी रेल और स्ट्रक्चरल सामानों का क्षमता कुछ हद तक बच जायिगी।

#### Handloom Industry

667. Shri A. Sreedharam: Will the Minister of Commerce be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the Handloom Industry is facing a crisis due to the increase in the price of yarn; and

(b) if so, the steps taken to prevent the crisis?