

(b) During the Calendar years 1950 and 1951, five men and one man respectively, were employed on an average daily in the mine.

(c) A sum of Rs. 14,000 was set apart during the years 1950-51 and 1951-52 for welfare work for mica miners in this State.

(d) and (e), No Advisory Committee has so far been constituted.

SINGARENI COLLIERIES (WAGONS)

499. **Shri Vittal Rao:** Will the Minister of Railways be pleased to state:

(a) the total number of wagons supplied to Singareni Collieries Company Limited, Kothragudium at Bhadrachallam daily;

(b) whether the demand of the Company is fully met; and

(c) if not, what arrangements are being made to supply adequate number of wagons?

The Deputy Minister of Railways and Transport (Shri Alagesan): (a) The daily average number of wagons supplied to Singareni Collieries Company Limited, Kothragudium at Bhadrachallam Road is given below:—

	Supply of wagons (Daily average)
April, 1952	123
May, 1952	130
June, 1952	116
July, 1952	120
August, 1952	123
September, 1952	114
October, 1952	107
November, 1952	109
(upto 25th)	

(b) Yes. Indents from the collieries were met in full and there have been no complaints of short supply of wagons.

(c) Does not arise.

SELECTION FOR SUBORDINATE SERVICES

500. **Shri P. Subba Rao:** (a) Will the Minister of Railways be pleased to state how many centres have been fixed for the Services Commission for selecting candidates for subordinate services in Railways?

(b) Is there any proposal to have a separate Selection Committee for each Railway?

The Deputy Minister of Railways and Transport (Shri Alagesan): (a) There are no fixed centres for interviews held by the Railway Service Commissions. The centres are determined by the Service Commission concerned with reference to the number of candidates from the adjoining areas applying for a particular post or category of post. Normally interviews are held at the Headquarters of the various Railways and other important centres like Gauhati, Lucknow, Agra, Nagpur, Trichinopoly, etc.

(b) No.

EASTERN RAILWAY

501. **Shri P. Subba Rao:** Will the Minister of Railways be pleased to state the total mileage of the Eastern Railway lying within the borders of Orissa?

The Deputy Minister of Railways and Transport (Shri Alagesan): The hon. Member is referred to part (a) (ii) of the answer given to Shri U. C. Patnaik's question No. 58 on the 20th May, 1952.

RECRUITMENT IN INDIAN RAILWAYS

502. **Shri P. Subba Rao:** (a) Will the Minister of Railways be pleased to state how many applicants for service in Indian Railways were there in 1951 and how many were called for interview and how many were finally selected?

(b) What amount was received as fee for applications for appointments and how much expense was incurred by Government?

The Deputy Minister of Railways and Transport (Shri Alagesan): The information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the House in due course.

AGRICULTURAL PUBLICITY

503. **Shri Madiah Gowda:** (a) Will the Minister of Food and Agriculture be pleased to state what are the main decisions arrived at the Lucknow Conference, recently held for the spread of agricultural information?

(b) What will be the annual expenditure for the scheme approved by the Conference?

(c) When the scheme will be given effect to?