

a large part of the population is not rationed. The total rationing requirements for 1952 are estimated at 6.8 million tons out of which about 19 per cent. has been met by carry-over stocks, 50 per cent. by internal procurement, and about 31 per cent. from out of imports during the current year.

(b) About 0.2 per cent. The loss is due to insect attack, spillage during transit and handling of bags.

तार घर

उ३७. श्री बी० डी० शास्त्री: क्या संचरण मंत्री यह बतलाने की कृपा करेंगे

कि क्या देश में ऐसा कोई जिला है, जहाँ एक भी तार घर न हो ?

(ख) यदि है तो कौन सा या कौन से ?

The Deputy Minister of Communications (Shri Raj Bahadur): (a) and (b). The headquarters of the following districts are not connected by telegraphs. Information is not available as to whether the Taluka headquarters or any other places in these districts possess Telegraph Offices.

Name of State	Serial No.	Name of District	Name of District headquarters
Assam	1	United Mekir and North Cachar Hills.	Diphu
	2	Sela Sub Agency	Charduar
Tripura State	3	Dharamnagar	Dharamnagar
	4	Khowai	Khowai
	5	Udaipur	Udaipur
	6	Sanamura	Sanamura
	7	Belonia	Belonia
	8	Sabraom	Sabraom
Vindhya Pradesh	9	Sidhi	Sidhi.

WESTERN RAILWAY (STENOGRAPHERS)

838. Pandit M. B. Bhargava: Will the Minister of Railways be pleased to state:

(a) the number of stenographers working at present in different prescribed scales both on the metre gauge and broad gauge systems of Western Railway;

(b) the qualifications and the offices of posting of those stenographers who are working in grades above the prescribed Scale of Rs. 80—220; and

(c) whether it is a fact that more higher grades of stenographers have been allotted on broad gauge system of the Western Railway than on the metre gauge, and if so, the reasons for this disparity in allocation of these grades?

The Deputy Minister of Railways and Transport (Shri Alagesan): (a) and (c). The distribution of Stenographers working at present in the different prescribed scales on the Metre Gauge and Broad gauge Sections and headquarters office of the Western Railway, is as follows:—

Prescribed Scale Rs.	Number of posts			Total
	Head- quarters office (common to Broad and Metre gauge sections.)	Bombay Region (Broad Gauge)	Ajmer & Gondal Regions (Metre Gauge)	
280—15—350	2	2
200—10—300	18	1	2	19
0—5—120—EB—8—200—10/2—220	56	44	61	161