

(b) in how many cases the quality of rice inspected at the Indian Ports did not conform to the original samples?

The Minister of Agriculture (Dr. P. S. Deshmukh): (a) The quantities of rice imported are as follows:

	(In Tons)				
	Pakistan	Burma	Thailand	China	Total
1951	1,58,028	3,20,672	2,19,595	65,779	7,64,069
1952	13,710	3,75,576	1,89,338	1,50,099	7,28,718

(b) The number of cases in which quality of rice inspected at the Indian Ports was not found to conform to the standard type samples or specifications laid down in the Agreements are:—

	Pakistan	Burma	Thailand	China	Total
1951	51	65	85	7	168
1952	2	78	28	Nil	108

#### TUBE-WELLS DRILLED IN PUNJAB

1086. Prof. D. C. Sharma: Will the Minister of Food and Agriculture be pleased to state the number of tube-wells drilled in the Punjab and PEPSU during the year 1952 under the 'Grow More Food' Scheme?

The Minister of Agriculture (Dr. P. S. Deshmukh): Punjab—137.

PEPSU—NIL.

#### PROCUREMENT PRICES OF FOODGRAINS IN PUNJAB

1087. Prof. D. C. Sharma: (a) Will the Minister of Food and Agriculture be pleased to state the rates of procurement prices fixed for different foodgrains in the Punjab?

(b) Are these rates lower than the rates of last year?

The Minister of Agriculture (Dr. P. S. Deshmukh): (a) A statement is laid on the Table of the House.

(b) No, they are the same as those of last season in respect of rice, wheat and barley. In the case of bajra and jowar, the current year prices are higher than those of last year, by -/10/- and -/8/- per maund respectively higher than those of last year, by Rs. 10 per maund throughout the year as against the sliding scale of last year.

#### STATEMENT

The procurement prices of different foodgrains during the current season.

(In reply to part (a) of Question No. 1087)

	(In Rupees per Br. maund)
Rice—Basmati	23-10-0 (ex-mill)
Superior like Par-mal, Hansraj, Mushkin, etc.	21-14-0
Sona	18-6-0
Begmi	17-13-0
Dara	16-2-0
Bajra	8-12-0
Jowar	8-8-0
Maize	10-0-0
Barley	8-6-0
Wheat	13-0-0 (31.12th July 53)
	12-12-0 (there after)

#### TICKETLESS TRAVELLING

1089. Shri Bhockha Bhai: Will the Minister of Railways be pleased to state:

(a) the number of cases of ticketless travellers on the Northern Zone Railways during the year 1952-53; and

(b) if so, what money was realised as penalty and what as fare during the same period?

The Deputy Minister of Railways and Transport (Shri Alagesan): Information in respect of the financial year, 1952-53, is not yet available. Hence information relating to the calendar year 1952, is given in reply to the question.

(a) 11,54,826.

(b) The amount of money realized as fare from ticketless passengers during the year 1952, was Rs. 17,71,548 while the amount of money realized as penalty from them during the same period was Rs. 3,88,776

#### OILCAKES (REMOVAL OF CONTROL) ORDER

1090. Shri Bansal: Will the Minister of Food and Agriculture be pleased to state:

(a) whether, under the Oilcakes (Removal of Control) Order, 1952, restrictions on the movement, production, price and distribution of oilcakes have been removed in all States except Hyderabad;

(b) whether restrictions in regard to Hyderabad have also been removed in February 1953;

(c) whether, under the Order, the State Governments are authorised to

procure upto 50 per cent. of oilcakes produced by any mill at prices to be fixed by them;

(d) the rates at which the State Governments are procuring oilcakes and the use to which oilcake is being put;

(e) whether it is a fact that oilcakes are being sold in the market at much higher prices than are given to the mills by the State Government; and

(f) whether it has been brought to Government's notice that the use of oilcakes as fertilizers is wasteful considering the alternative use to which it can be put and the prices that can be obtained for the same?

**The Minister of Agriculture (Dr. P. S. Deshmukh):** (a) to (c). Yes.

(d) A statement giving the available information is laid on the Table of the House. [See Appendix IX, annexure No. 32.]

(e) Yes.

(f) Edible Oilcakes are good cattle-feed, and there is shortage of such feed in the country. State Governments have, therefore, been advised to use as manure substitutes like bloodmeal, fishmanure, meatmeal, sludge, etc., and leave edible oilcakes for cattle-feed as far as practicable.

**पंजाब के लिए डाक और तार मंत्रणा समिति**

१०९१, डा० सत्यवादी : क्या संवरण मंत्री यह बतलाने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या पंजाब में डाक और तार मंत्रणा समिति नियुक्त की गई है;

(ख) यदि हां तो उस समिति के सदस्य कौन हैं ;

(ग) क्या इस समिति में अनुसूचित जातियों का कोई प्रतिनिधि है ;

(घ) यदि हां तो अनुसूचित जाति के सदस्यों का नाम क्या है ; और

(ङ) किस आधार पर इस समिति के सदस्यों का नाम-निर्देशन किया गया है ?

**The Minister of Communications (Shri Jagjivan Ram):** (a) Yes.

(b) I lay on the Table of the House a statement showing the composition of the Committee.

(c) No. Representation on the Committee is not given on communal basis.

(d) Does not arise.

(e) The members are nominated to represent various interests as indicated in the statement referred to in the reply to part (b).

#### STATEMENT

**Chairman:** Postmaster-General, Ambala.

**Members:**

*Nominees of Punjab Government*

(1) Shri Mangat Raj, Secretary, Local Self Government, Punjab (Official).

(2) Thakur Balwant Singh, M.L.A. (Non-official).

*Nominee of PEPSU Government*

(3) Sardar Balwant Singh, Dy. Secretary (Home), PEPSU, Patiala.

*Nominees of Jammu and Kashmir Government*

(4) Shri D. N. Jinsi, Superintendent, Telegraph and Telephone, Srinagar.

*Nominee of States Ministry for Himachal Pradesh and Bilaspur*

(5) Shri Mahesh Chandra, General Secretary, Himachal Pradesh Government.

*Member of Parliament*

(6) Shri Amarnath Vidyalankar, M.P. 135, North Avenue, New Delhi.

*Representatives of Trade and Commerce*

(7) Seth Radhakrishna, Secretary, Punjab Textile Manufacturers Association, Amritsar.

(8) Shri J. D. Gupta of the Punjab Registered (Iron and Steel) Stock Holders' Association Ltd., Treasury Road, Ambala City.

#### MONEY ORDERS AND INSURED LETTERS LOST

**1092. Shri Ganpati Ram:** Will the Minister of Communications be pleased to state:

(a) the total number of money orders and insured letters lost in 1952-53 and total amount involved therein;

(b) how many of them were recovered and the amount handed over to the payees or remitters;

(c) the number of lost money orders and insured letters on which inquiry is pending; and