

TICKETLESS TRAVEL IN 1953-54

*1066. **Shri Balakrishnan:** Will the Minister of Railways be pleased to state the amount lost to Government due to ticketless travelling in the year 1953-54?

The Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister of Railways and Transport (**Shri Shahnawaz Khan**): It is not possible to make an accurate estimate of the loss to the Indian Railways on account of ticketless travelling. The amount of excess fares and penalty realised from ticketless travellers during 1953-54 was, however, Rs. 1.41 crores.

WAGONS FOR THE KOSI PROJECT

*1070. **Shri G. P. Sinha:** Will the Minister of Railways be pleased to state:

(a) the average requirement of wagons per day for execution of the Kosi Project in Bihar; and

(b) whether any quota has been fixed for the said purpose?

The Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister of Railways and Transport (**Shri Shahnawaz Khan**): (a) The average daily requirement of wagons, as notified by the Bihar Government, is forty metre gauge or twenty broad gauge wagons until 31st March, 1955.

(b) The following quotas have been provided for the movement of traffic in connection with the execution of the Kosi Project:—

A. Coal or Cement :—

Via Mokameh . Six broad gauge wagons per day.

Via Manduadih One broad gauge wagon per day.

B. Stone Material:—

Via Rajmahal Manihari Eight broad gauge wagons per day.

TOTAL	Fifteen broad gauge or thirty metre gauge wagons per day.
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WATER COOLERS AT RAILWAY STATIONS

*1079. **Th. Jugal Kishore Sinha:** Will the Minister of Railways be pleased to state the number of Railway Stations which have been provided with water coolers?

The Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister of Railways and Transport (**Shri Shahnawaz Khan**): 115.

DELHI JUNCTION

*1086. **Shri Dabhi:** Will the Minister of Railways be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the Delhi Junction is very congested due to heavy passenger and goods traffic; and

(b) if so, what steps are being taken by Government to remedy this state of affairs?

The Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister of Railways and Transport (**Shri Shahnawaz Khan**): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) Proposals for a major remodeling of Delhi Station so as to be able to cope with the increased traffic, are being worked out by the Railway.

STUDY GROUP (TRANSPORT PLANNING)

*1087. { **Shri S. N. Das:**
Shri Nanadas:
Shri Krishna Chandra:
Shri Anirudha Sinha:

Will the Minister of Transport be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Study Group (Transport Planning) has finished its work and submitted any report;

(b) if so, what are the important suggestions and recommendations that have been made; and

(c) whether the proposal to demarcate certain zones for road traffic in which railways should not accept transport of certain categories of goods, has been finalised?

The Deputy Minister of Railways and Transport (**Shri Alagesan**): (a) The Study Group has not yet finalised its Report.