

The Deputy Minister of Communications (Shri Raj Bahadur): (a) A statement containing information regarding compensatory and (or) Hill allowances in these areas is placed on the Table of the Lok Sabha. [See Appendix IV, annexure No. 73.]

(b) Compensatory (city) and house rent allowances are generally granted in cities where the population exceeds five lakhs. House rent allowance is generally given for officials on pay not exceeding Rs. 100/- p.m. in cities where population exceeds 1 lakh substantially, that is by about 15 per cent. Allowances are also granted, wherever justified, to compensate for expensiveness in localities with bad climate, for higher cost of living in hill stations, and for expenses incidental to service in remote localities.

DELHI SUBURBAN TRAINS

698. Shri Gidwani: Will the Minister of Railways be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the Northern Railway plans to run Suburban Railway Service between New Delhi and Vinay Nagar;

(b) what will be the stations in between; and

(c) when this service will operate?

The Deputy Minister of Railways and Transport (Shri Alagesan): (a) Yes.

(b) The location of the intervening stations has not yet been finalised, but halts under consideration are:—

(i) Hazrat Nizam-ud-Din.

(ii) Lajpat Nagar.

(iii) Sewa Nagar.

(iv) Lodi Colony.

(c) It is proposed to introduce this service from 1-1-55.

डीजेल रेल कारें

६९९. श्री जो० एल० चौधरी: क्या रेलवे मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि:

(क) अभी तक इटली से कितनी डीजेल रेल कारें खरीदी गई हैं;

(ख) क्या वे सभी कारें भारत पहुंच गई हैं; और

(ग) इन कारों के मूल्य जापान से खरीदी गई कारों की तुलना में कैसे हैं?

रेलवे तथा परिवहन उपमंत्री (श्री अल्लगरान):
(क) १२।

(ख) नहीं। मार्च, १९५५ से मिलने लगेंगी।

(ग) इटली से आनेवाली दो रेलकारों की यूनिट पर लगभग ७.५ लाख और जापान से आनेवाली यूनिट पर ५.९ लाख रुपये लागत आती हैं।

CENTRAL TRACTOR ORGANISATION

700. Shri K. C. Sodhia: Will the Minister of Food and Agriculture be pleased to state:

(a) the total area of (i) reclamation work, (ii) jungle clearance work and (iii) any other operations performed by the Central Tractor Organisation during January-June 1954;

(b) the names of the States where this was done;

(c) the cost of ploughing per acre charged in each case;

(d) the number of tractors actually working throughout the season and the number of those which worked only partially; and

(e) the fuel and spare part charges included for calculating the cost of ploughing?

The Minister of Agriculture (Dr. P. S. Deshmukh): (a) to (e). A statement is placed on the Table of the Lok Sabha. [See Appendix IV, annexure No. 74.]

NAGPUR EMPLOYMENT EXCHANGE

701. Mulla Abdullah: Will the Minister of Labour be pleased to state:

(a) the total number of candidates registered in Nagpur Employment Exchange since the 1st January, 1954 to date;

(b) the number among them for whom employment was secured;

(c) the number of appointments of technical-hands, clerical and others, separately; and

(d) how the figures compare with those of the previous two years?

The Minister of Labour (Shri K. K. Desai): (a) 16,428 registrations were effected during the period, 1st January, 1954 to 31st October, 1954.

(b) and (c). 1,313 placements were effected, of which 417 were in Technical, 158 in clerical and 738 in other occupational categories.

(d) A statement is placed on the Table of the House. [See Appendix IV, annexure No. 75.]

PASSENGER AMENITIES

702. Shri Amjad Ali: Will the Minister of Railways be pleased to state:

(a) the number of third class coaches in which fans have been provided during the current year till the 31st October, 1954;

(b) the basis on which these fans are being fitted;

(c) the total number of fans expected to be fitted in third class coaches during this year;

(d) whether it is a fact that the progress has been slow; and

(e) if so, the reasons therefor?

The Deputy Minister of Railways and Transport (Shri Alagesan): (a) 372.

(b) One fan for 9 passengers.

(c) 6144.

(d) No.

(e) Does not arise.

TUBE-WELLS

703. Shri Boovaraghasamy: Will the Minister of Food and Agriculture be pleased to state:

(a) the total number of tube-wells sunk in the various States upto November, 1954;

(b) the amount spent so far, State-wise; and

(c) how many of them proved successful, State-wise?

The Minister of Agriculture (Dr. P. S. Deshmukh): (a) to (c). A statement giving the latest information available is placed on the Table of the Lok Sabha. [See Appendix IV, annexure No. 76.]