

Shortage of Wagons

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

(a) whether it is a fact that Maha Koshal Chamber of Commerce, Jubal-pore has complained to the Government recently regarding the non-availability of railway wagons for the movement of their grain stocks;

(b) whether it is a fact that they have threatened to suspend trading in foodgrains if their grievances are not redressed ; and

(c) if so, the action taken in the matter ?

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

(c) Loading of foodgrains from stations on the Jubal-pore Division of the Central Railway, which covers the area in question has been stepped up considerably as compared to the corresponding period of last year.

Japanese Method of Rice Cultivation

241. { **Shri K. P. Sinha** :
 { **Shri Ram Shankar Lal** :

Will the Minister of Food and Agriculture be pleased to lay a statement on the Table of the House showing :

(a) the total area under the Japanese Method of Rice Cultivation State-wise, in the country during the year 1954-55 ; and

(b) the average yield per acre (State-wise) ?

The Minister of Food and Agriculture (Shri A. P. Jain) : (a) and (b). A statement is laid on the Table of the Lok Sabha. [See Appendix IV annexure, No. 11].

Wheat

242. **Shri Radha Raman** : Will the Minister of Food and Agriculture be pleased to state the total quantity of wheat consumed in India during the year 1954-55 ?

The Minister of Food and Agriculture (Shri A. P. Jain) : No precise information about the quantity of wheat consumed in India during 1954-55 is available with us.

Fisheries

243. **Shri Rishang Keishing** : Will the Minister of Food and Agriculture be pleased to state :

(a) the number of State fisheries in Manipur ;

(b) the income derived from the State fisheries during the years 1953-54 and 1954-55 ;

(c) whether it is a fact that the Central Government have allotted any funds to the State Government during the First Five Year Plan for the development of fisheries ; and

(d) if the answer to part (c) above be in the negative the reasons therefor ?

The Minister of Food and Agriculture (Shri A. P. Jain) : (a) 338.

(b) Year *Income derived from State Fisheries*

	Rs.
1953-54	3,15,303
1954-55	2,87,564

(c) No.

(d) The State Government did not put up any proposals in this regard owing to non availability of suitable technical personnel.

नौबहन

२४४. श्री अमर सिंह डामर : क्या परिवहन मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) १५ अगस्त, १९४७ से भारतीय नौबहन ने कितनी प्रगति की है ;

(ख) भीतरी तथा बाहरी नौबहन सेवाओं के लिये १९४७ से १९५४ तक कितने भारत के बने जहाज खरीदे गये और कितने बाहर से खरीदे गये ;

(ग) चालु वर्ष में कितने जहाज बनाने का तथा कितने खरीदने का विचार है ; और

(घ) देशी जहाजों तथा विदेशों से खरीदे गये जहाजों की लागत में कितना अन्तर है ?

रेलवे तथा परिवहन उपमंत्री (श्री अलमोशन) : (क) से (घ). विवरण संलग्न है [बेसिये परिशिष्ट ४, अनुबन्ध सं० १२]