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

- (b) The Government of India have opened a Tourist Information Office in Banaras and a batch of Guides have been given training. The Office supplies information to the tourists in regard to the places worth visiting, availability of accommodation, transport and trained guides.
- (c) and (d). Statistics of tourists, foreign or Indians, visiting each place of tourist interest are not maintained. The number of foreign tourists who visited the Country in 1954 was 39333 against 20,000 in 1951. Most of the foreign tourists visit Banaras and the increase in respect of that place may be taken to be in the same proportion.

#### Displaced T. B. Patients

25. Dr. Satyawadi: Will the Minister of Health be pleased to refer to the reply given to Starred Question No. 1721 on the 14th September, 1955 and state the details of the beds reserved in the various T. B. Hospitals for displaced T. B. Patients from West Pakistan and the amount placed at the disposal of each State Government for financial assistance to such patients during 1954-55 and 1955-56?

The Minister of Health (Rajkumari Amrit Kaur): Two statements giving the required information are attached. [See Appendix I, annexure No 20].

# Telegraph Offices 26. Sardar Hukam Singh: Shri Bahadur Singh:

Will the Minister of Communications be pleased to state:

- (a) the number of District Towns, Sub-Divisional and Tehsil Towns which have not yet been provided with Telegraph Offices; and
- (b) the number of new Telegraph Offices proposed to be opened in those places during 1955?

### The Deputy Minister of Communications (Shri Raj Bahadur): (a) and (b).

Category		No. of Places for which Tele- graph Offices sanc- tioned
District Towns .	4	4
Sub-Divisional Towns	34	30
Tehsil Towns .	302	224

It is expected that about 150 offices would be opened during 1955-56, out of the total of 258 so far sanctioned.

#### Locomotives

## 27. Sardar Hukam Singh: Shri Bahadur Singh :

Will the Minister of Railways be pleased to state:

- (a) the number of locomotives overhauled in the Central Railway Locomotive Workshop, Parel, Bombay during 1955 so far; and
- (b) the number of new locomotives received in that Workshop from foreign countries during the current year?

The Deputy Minister of Railways and Transport (Shri Alagesan): (a) 311 upto 31-10-1955.

(b) 127 upto 31-10-1955.

### मालगाड़ी की बुर्घटना

२६. **बी ग्रमर सिंह डामर** : बी बी० डी० शास्त्री :

क्या रेलवे मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि:

- (क) क्या यह सच है कि २१ सितम्बर, १९४४ को पश्चिमी रेलवे के भ्रनास भौर बोरड़ी स्टेशनों के बीच दोहद के पास एक मालगाड़ी नदी में गिर गई थी ;
- (ख) यदि हां, तो कितने डिब्बे नदी में गिरे और हर एक में क्या माल था, कितना माल था तथा उसकी कीमत क्या थी;
- (ग) उन डिब्बों में केवल सरकारी माल था या जनता का; और
- (घ) यदि दोनों का या तो सरकारी माल कितना और जनता का कितना या?

The Deputy Minister of Railways and Transport (Shri Alagesan): (a) to (d). A Statement is attached herewith. [See Appendix I, annexure No. 21].