

रेलवे सम्पत्तियाँ

६७०. श्री अमरसिंह डामर : क्या रेलवे मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि देश भर में भारतीय रेलवे की इमारतों सहित कुल अचल सम्पत्ति का खाता-मूल्य कितना है ?

रेलवे तथा परिवहन उपमंत्री (श्री अल्लगेसान) : १९५३-५४ के अन्त तक ६,५२.८६ करोड़ रुपये ।

PASSENGER AMENITIES

*671. { Thakur Jugal Kishore Sinha :
Shri Asthana :

Will the Minister of Railways be pleased to state :

(a) whether in Lucknow and other stations of Northern Railway the rate for hair cutting for I class and III class passengers has been fixed on different basis ;

(b) if so, the reasons therefore; and

(c) how do they compare with the system of other Railways?

The Deputy Minister of Railways and Transport (Shri Alagesan) : (a) Yes, only at stations on the Lucknow Division of Northern Railway.

(b) It has not been possible to trace at this distant date the reasons for this distinction at stations on the Lucknow Division.

Instructions are, however, being issued for the same rates being charged for hair cutting from all classes of passengers at the above stations.

(c) On other Railways, there is no distinction between upper and lower class passengers in respect of rates fixed for hair cutting, except at Mhow station on the Western Railway. Here also instructions are being issued for same rates being charged from all classes of passengers.

FAZILKA-REWARI LINE

672. { Sardar Iqbal Singh :
Shri R. K. Gupta :

Will the Minister of Railways be pleased to lay on the Table of the Lok Sabha a statement showing :

(a) the number of days and trains which ran late on the Fazilka-Rewari section during 1955 ;

(b) the reason for delays, if any ; and

(c) the steps taken in the matter?

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

Train No.	Number of days arrived late at destination station
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1 BRB	117
2 BRB	237
1 BRF	258
1 BDS	174
2 BDS	144

(b) The deterioration in the punctuality performance of the trains referred to above was mainly due to operational causes, such as, engine failures, engineering restrictions, crossings etc., and also for maintaining connections at Rewari with the Western Railway trains.

(c) The following steps have been taken to improve the performance of these trains :—

(i) All avoidable detentions are promptly taken up and deterrent disciplinary action is taken against staff responsible.

(ii) Better engines have been provided for hauling trains Nos. 1 BRB and 2 BRB.

(iii) Timings of trains Nos. 2 BRB and 1 BRF have been suitably revised with effect from 1-3-56.

(iv) Punctuality drives have been instituted and officers and inspectors have been deputed to travel by bad running trains with a view to take up on-the-spot all avoidable detentions and thus improve the performance of the trains concerned.

There has already been an improvement in the performance of trains Nos. 2 BRB and 1 BRF. Every endeavour will be made by the Railway Administration to improve further the performance of trains on the Fazilka-Rewari Section.

DESTRUCTION OF PESTS

673. Shri Hem Raj : Will the Minister of Food and Agriculture be pleased to state the aid given by the Central Government for killing of pests and control of weeds in the Punjab, Pepsu, Himachal Pradesh and Jammu and Kashmir?