

1956 urged the Government of India to provide facilities of travelling at concessional rates to the family members of teachers; and

(b) if so, whether Government have considered this demand?

The Deputy Minister of Railways and Transport (Shri Alagesan): (a) and (b). Yes; but the request was not agreed to.

LADY TRAVELLERS ON I.A.C. PLANES

683. Shrimati Ila Palchoudhury: Will the Minister of Communications be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that quite a large number of ladies travel by I.A.C. planes;

(b) if so, whether the Indian Air Lines Corporation have made any special seating arrangements for ladies; and

(c) the nature of such arrangements?

The Minister in the Ministry of Communications (Shri Raj Bahadur):

(a) Yes.

(b) and (c). No separate seats are earmarked for ladies in the aircraft, but seats next to them are normally arranged for their escorts, if any.

FOOD-GRAINS GODWNS(WEST BENGAL)

684. Shri N. B. Chowdhury: Will the Minister of Food and Agriculture be pleased to lay on the Table of the House a statement showing the number of Central food-grain godowns in West Bengal at present?

The Minister of Food and Agriculture (Shri A. P. Jain): There are 11 Central Government food-grain godowns at present in West Bengal.

POST AND TELEGRAPH OFFICES IN MYSORE STATE

685. Shri Madiah Gowda: Will the Minister of Communications be pleased to state the number of urban and rural posts and telegraphs offices opened in Mysore State during the First Five Year Plan period?

The Minister in the Ministry of Communications (Shri Raj Bahadur): A statement giving the required information is given below.

STATEMENT

Year	Non Combined post office		Combined Post & Telegraph offices		Departmental Telegraph offices.		Remarks
	Rur- al	Ur- ban	Rur- al	Ur- ban	Ru- ral	Ur- ban	
1951-52	78	12	1	1	—	—	
1952-53	8	10	2	1	—	—	
1953-54	63	7	—	—	—	—	
1954-55	81	6	2	8	—	2	
1955-56	126	5	3	3	—	—	
TOTAL	356	40	8	13	—	2	

UNIFORMS FOR RAILWAY TICKET EXAMINERS

686. Shri Madiah Gowda: Will the Minister of Railways be pleased to state:

(a) whether the uniforms are supplied to all the ticket examiners in Southern Railways; and

(b) if so, how many sets are supplied per year?

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

(b) A statement is appended [See Appendix VI, annexure No. 44.]

D.T.S. OFFICE, BEZWADA

687. Shri B. S. Murthy: Will the Minister of Railways be pleased to state:

(a) whether a number of clerks employed in the office of the D.T.S., Bezwada, have refused to take salaries for the month of February, 1956;

(b) if so, the reasons for the same; and

(c) the steps taken to restore normalcy?