

WATER SUPPLY IN RAJASTHAN

1836. Shri Balwant Sinha Mehta : Will the Minister of Health be pleased to state :

(a) the amount of money so far allotted to Rajasthan for sinking wells for drinking water in the rural areas ;

(b) the number of wells so far sunk and how many are likely to be completed by the end of this year ; and

(c) the number of villages where there are no facilities for the drinking water?

The Minister of Health (Rajkumari Amrit Kaur) : (a) Under the National Water Supply and Sanitation Scheme of the Ministry of Health, a sum of Rs. 20.6 lakhs has so far been paid to the Government of Rajasthan for their rural water supply schemes.

(b) and (c). Information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the Lok Sabha in due course.

FODDER

1838. Shri Hem Raj : Will the Minister of Food and Agriculture be pleased to state :

(a) the different kinds of grasses used as fodder and evolved for milch and drought cattle of the plains and the hills in the irrigated and dry areas respectively, State-wise ; and

(b) the steps taken by Government to popularise them amongst agriculturists?

The Minister of Food and Agriculture (Shri A. P. Jain) : (a) and (b). A statement is attached. [See Appendix XI, annexure No. 64]

TECHNICAL TRAINING CENTRES

1839. Dr. Satyawadi : Will the Minister of Labour be pleased to state :

(a) the names of the technical training centres in the States of Punjab and Pepsu ;

(b) the number of trainees at each Centre at present and number of Scheduled Castes Trainees among them ; and

(c) the names of trades in which the training is given in these centres?

The Deputy Minister of Labour (Shri Abid Ali) : (a) to (c). The required information is given in the statement attached. [See Appendix XI, annexure No. 65]

RAILWAY TRAFFIC

1840. Shri Radha Raman : Will the Minister of Railways be pleased to state :

(a) whether the Northern Railway have drawn up any master plan to deal with the increased traffic ;

(b) if so, its nature and the estimated expenditure involved ; and

(c) when its implementation is expected to commence and how long it will take to complete the same?

The Deputy Minister of Railways and Transport (Shri Alagesan) : (a) It is not clear what is meant by a Master Plan, but if it refers to the Second Five Year Plan, a draft outline plan has been drawn up for the Northern Railway.

(b) This Plan provides for rehabilitation of track and rolling stock, increase of line capacity, workshops expansions, staff welfare work and amenities for passengers, etc. Detailed estimate have not yet been made, except for the work which is to be done in 1956-57. The approximate cost of the total Plan would be of the order of Rs. 150 crores. The sanctioned programme for 1956-57 provides for an expenditure of Rs. 18.34 crores.

(c) Implementation of the Second Five Year Plan was commenced on 1-4-56 and will end on 31-3-61.

RAILWAY RESERVATION INSPECTORS

1841. Dr. D. Ramachander : Will the Minister of Railways be pleased to state :

(a) the Railway stations where there are Reservation Inspectors ; and

(b) how many Reservation Inspectors are working in each Railway?

The Deputy Minister of Railways and Transport (Shri Alagesan): (a) and (b). There is one Reservation Inspector on the Eastern Railway at Fairlie Place, Calcutta, and there are two on the Western Railway in the Reservation Office, Churchgate, Bombay.

COLOMBO PLAN

1842. Shri M. L. Agrawal: Will the Minister of Health be pleased to state:

(a) whether any Foreign Scholarships for Medical Studies in the United Kingdom under the Colombo Plan were sanctioned in 1954;

(b) if so, the names and qualifications of the scholars and the amounts and duration of the scholarships;

(c) whether these scholarships have been availed of by all to whom they were granted; and

(d) if not, why not?

The Minister of Health (Rajkumari Amrit Kaur): (a) No scholarship was given under the Colombo Plan, but only fellowships were granted.

(b) to (d). A statement containing the information is attached. [See Appendix XI, annexure No. 66]

RAILWAYS WIRELESS OPERATORS

1843. Shri M. S. Gurupadaswamy: Will the Minister of Railways be pleased to refer to the reply given to Unstarred Question No. 509 on the 30th March, 1955 and state:

(a) whether it is a fact that in spite of the assurance given on the floor of the Sabha, no steps have been taken so far to review the objections raised by the employees regarding the final seniority list of Wireless Operators of Northern Railway;

(b) whether it is also a fact that on account of this, junior operators of Ex-E.P. Railway have been officiating on higher posts thus superseding the claims of operators of other Railways and those operators are likely to be confirmed in higher posts soon;

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(c) if the answer to parts (a) and (b) above be in the affirmative, the reasons therefor; and

(d) the steps taken or proposed to be taken by the Railway Board to remove the discontentment of employees on account of undue prolonged indecision of the administration to finalize the seniority list?

The Deputy Minister of Railways and Transport (Shri Alagesan): (a) No assurance was given in reply to Question No. 509 of 30-3-55 but facts were stated. It has so far not been possible to draw up a final seniority list for want of information regarding service particulars which is awaited and is being obtained from N.W.Rly. (Pakistan).

(b) In the absence of final seniority lists, promotions are inevitably made on the basis of provisional seniority lists but confirmations will not be made until seniority is finally determined.

(c) Does not arise.

(d) The Railway Board will continue their efforts to obtain the service records but it has been decided that if these are not obtained by the 30th June, 1956, seniority will be finalised on the basis of available information.

TICKETLESS TRAVELLING

1844. Shri Ibrahim: Will the Minister of Railways be pleased to state the number of cases of Ticket Checkers and other Railway employees allowing passengers to travel without issue of tickets with a view to misappropriate the money which have been detected in 1954 and 1955?

The Deputy Minister of Railways and Transport (Shri Alagesan): 25 cases in 1954 and 38 in 1955.

B.C.G.

1845. Shri Ibrahim: Will the Minister of Health be pleased to state the number of persons who were inoculated with B.C.G. in Bihar State during 1955?

The Minister of Health (Rajkumari Amrit Kaur): 11,23,325.