

RAILWAY EMPLOYEES AT BARKA-KANA (E. RAILWAY)

79. { **Thakur Jugal Kishore Sinha:**
Shri Asthana :
Babu Ramnarayan Singh :

Will the Minister of Railways be pleased to state:

(a) the number of Railway employees working at Barka-Kana (Eastern Railway) under different departments;

(b) the number of employees provided with housing accommodation;

(c) the number of houses without kitchens and water taps; and

(d) the number of houses lying incomplete without doors and windows for about a year and the reasons for such a delay in the completion of these houses at Barka-Kana?

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

Transportation & Commercial	121
Engineering Department	925
Operating Power Department.	321
Operating Carriage and	
Wagon Department.	119
Coal Commercial	4
Medical Department	55
Electrical Department.	17
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	1,562

(b) 668.

(c) 370 houses are without kitchen and 83 are without taps.

(d) 39 type I quarters remain to be completed having been occupied by staff without authority, before their completion.

WELFARE INSPECTORS ON SOUTHERN RAILWAY

80. Shri Veeraswamy: Will the Minister of Railways be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that appointments were made to the posts of Welfare Inspectors on the Southern Railway recently;

(b) if so, the number of Inspectors appointed; and

(c) the number of candidates belonging to Scheduled Castes who have been appointed as Welfare Inspectors?

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

(b) Six Assistant Inspectors have been appointed by promotion.

(c) Nil.

WATER COOLERS AT STATIONS

81. Sardar Iqbal Singh: Will the Minister of Railways be pleased to state:

(a) whether the water coolers installed on the Stations on the Northern Railway often go out of order; and

(b) if so, the reasons for this and the steps taken in the matter?

The Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister of Railways and Transport (Shri Shahnawaz Khan): (a) No Sir, there have only been infrequent failures, the loss of capacity as a result during the last summer having been only 1.6%.

(b) The reasons were defective parts and other mechanical and electrical defects which were attended to promptly.