

HOMOEOPATHY

2557. Shri S. C. Samanta : Will the Minister of Health be pleased to state the amount of money spent during 1955-56 on Homoeopathy under different heads by the Central Government?

The Minister without Portfolio (Shri V. K. Krishna Menon) : No expenditure was incurred by the Central Government on the development of Homoeopathy during 1955-56.

BIRUR TALGUPPA MAIL

2558. Shri Wodeyar : Will the Minister of Railways be pleased to state :

(a) the number of days between January 1st and April 1st of 1956 the Birur Talguppa Mail and Passenger trains have arrived punctually in Sagara Station (Southern Railway);

(b) the average number of minutes of delay; and

(c) whether Government have received complaints from the public in this behalf?

The Minister of Railways and Transport (Shri L. B. Shastri) : (a) During the period from 1-1-56 to 1-4-56, No. 1118 Birur-Talguppa Passenger train arrived Sagara right time on 17 days and No. 1120 Birur-Talguppa Passenger train right time on 20 days, out of 91 days.

(b) No. 1118 arrived late at Sagara on an average by 30 minutes and No. 1120 on an average by 40 minutes.

(c) No specific complaints have been received from the public with regard to the unpunctuality of the trains in question. Steps are, however, being taken to improve the performance of these trains.

OVERSEAS AIR FLIGHT

2559. Shri R. P. Garg : Will the Minister of Communications be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that on certain Overseas Air Flight, some senior I.C.S. Officers went abroad free of charges within the last few months:

(b) if so, whether they were accompanied by their families; and

(c) under which policy officials or non-officials are given this privilege of free flight?

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

(a) Yes.

(b) 2 I.C.S. officers besides the General Manager of the Air India International went with their families.

(c) Air India International is a member of the International Air Transport Association. It is customary for the members of the International Air Transport Association to operate inaugural flights when they introduce new services, new halts or new equipment. On such occasions, the airline is permitted by the International Air Transport Association to carry free of charge such invitees as they like. The airlines usually invite representatives of organisations which come in contact with them in their business transactions, representatives of publicity organisations, representatives of Travel Agents, important personages, who would add to the publicity and prestige of the airlines.

On the occasion of the inaugural flights of Air India International to Damascus and Prague and the inauguration of their Super-Constellation on the Indian-Singapore route, some officials including 4 I.C.S. Officers, were among the invitees, whom the Air-India International carried as their guests. Of these, three I.C.S. officers were on duty.

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२५६०. श्री जांगड़े : क्या भ्रम मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) श्रीद्योगिक और व्यावसायिक प्रशिक्षण केन्द्र, कोनी (मध्य प्रदेश) की परामर्शदात्री समिति के सदस्यों के नाम क्या हैं ;

(ख) इस समिति द्वारा १९५५, १९५५ और १९५६ में क्या काम किया गया;