

IV employees in the Kanchrapara workshop; and

(b) if so, what steps have been taken to redress the grievances of the workers?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS AND DEPARTMENT OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS (SHRI MALLIKARJUN): (a) and (b) Information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the Sabha.

Wagon Supply to sindri

9389. SHRI A. K. ROY:

SHRI BASUDEB ACHARIA:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government's attention has been drawn to the news item in the Indian National, Patna 6th March, 1981 under the heading 'Fertiliser blocked in Sindri Factory for want of wagons';

(b) if so, the steps taken thereon with records of demand and supply of wagons to the Fertiliser Corporation of India for the last six months;

(c) whether the wagons needed to supply the raw materials to the factory for making fertiliser and associated by products are sufficient to carry fertiliser from the factory while returning; and

(d) if so, the reasons for the sudden want of wagons for Sindri Fertiliser?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS AND DEPARTMENT OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS (SHRI MALLIKARJUN): (a) It has not been possible to get a copy of the Indian Nation of Patna dated 6th March, 1981. However, the Fertiliser Corporation of India has informed the Railways that the production of Ammonium Sulphate has recently started at Sindri, and therefore their demand for wagons has increased.

(b) The Railways have already stepped up loading of fertilisers at Sindri. There is progressive increase in the supply of wagons as will be evident from the figures given below:—

Month	Indent	Supply
October, 1980	200	202½
November, 1980	123	102
December, 1980	651	402
January, 1981	906	586½
February, 1981	1200	681
March, 1981	1970	841

(c) No. The major raw materials required at Sindri are furnace oil and rock phosphate which are loaded mainly in tanks and open wagons respectively, and cannot always be utilized for fertilizer loading.

(d) With the commencement of production of Ammonium Sulphate at Sindri there is increase in demand of wagons for loading of fertilisers from this factory. The bulk of the indents at Sindri are in piecemeal. The loading can be stepped up significantly if block rake demands are offered. The factory authorities have been advised, and they are organising loading in Jumbo rakes.

बम्बई डिवीजन में कोल्टेज में गिरावट

9390. श्री सत्यनारायण जटिया :
कय रेल मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि:

(क) क्या बम्बई डिवीजन में "ओवर हेड" तथा ट्रेक बाडिंग ट्रेक्शन" में विजली की कोल्टेज गिरावट में निरन्तर गिरावट आ रही है और उसके परिणाम स्वरूप पिछले वर्ष बम्बई डिवीजन को कितनी हानि हुई ;

(ख) क्या इसका कारण नियमित तथा समुचित रूप से "अर्थ टैस्टिंग" ट्रेक बांड टैस्टिंग" "फाउण्डेशन इन्सुलेशन टैस्टिंग",

“क्रासबॉर्ड इन्स्पैक्शन”, “कन्टीन्यूइटी बॉर्ड इन्स्पैक्शन”, “स्पार्क गैप इन्स्पैक्शन” आदि न होना और समुचित रख-रखाव का अभाव है;

(ग) यदि हां, तो इस प्रकार की भारी हानि को रोकने के लिये क्या कदम उठाये जा रहे हैं ;

(घ) क्या यह भी सच है कि रख-रखाव कर्मचारियों की संख्या अपर्याप्त है ; अगर

(ङ) यदि हां, तो प्रशिक्षित कर्मचारियों की संख्या बढ़ाने के लिये क्या कदम उठाये गये हैं ?

रेल मंत्रालय तथा संसदीय कार्य विभाग में उप मंत्री (श्री मल्लिकार्जुन) : (क) जी नहीं ।

(ख) और (ग) प्रश्न नहीं उठता ।

(घ) जी नहीं ।

(ङ) प्रश्न नहीं उठता ।

Railway Employees attending Southern Railway Headquarters

9391. SHRI A. G. SUBBURAMAN: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that a number of employees from various Divisions of the Southern Railway attend headquarters and other offices at Madras on duty daily;

(b) whether there are any facilities provided for their lodging and to safeguard the important records they bring for discussion in Headquarters office;

(c) whether it is a fact that the existing upper-subordinate rest house at Madras Egmore is insufficient to cater the needs of such staff on duty and there are no lockers to secure Government records; and

(d) whether there is any proposal to construct higher capacitated rest

houses at Madras|Egmore in place of the existing one with locker facilities?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS AND DEPARTMENT OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS (SHRI MALLIKARJUN): (a) Yes; employees come to Headquarters on duty whenever occasion demands.

(b) The following facilities exist at Madras:

(i) Rest House with 8 beds (Dormitory type) for subordinates at Madras.

(ii) Rest House for subordinates at Madras|Egmore with 10 beds (Dormitory type).

(iii) Rest House for subordinates at Madras|Egmore with 10 beds (Dormitory type) maintained by Construction Organisation.

No lockers for keeping documents|files have been provided in these rest houses.

(c) and (d) With a view to augmenting the accommodation for subordinates another Rest House for subordinate with 24 beds at Madras|Egmore has been sanctioned and the work is being taken in hand. Lockers|cupboards for keeping documents|files would be provided in this Rest House.

Surplus materials

9392. SHRI A. G. SUBBURAMAN: Will the Ministry of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that there are large number of Surplus engineering materials lying in open without any use;

(b) whether prompt action is taken in Divisional and Zonal levels for the disposal of such surplus materials through auctions;

(c) if so, the total number of auction during 1980-81;