

Delhi Transport Service

69. **Shri D. C. Sharma:** will the Minister of Transport and Communications be pleased to state:

(a) the number of Delhi Transport service buses being run at present; and

(b) the number of those which are out of order at present?

The Minister of State in the Ministry of Transport and Communications (Shri Raj Bahadur): (a) 344 out of a total fleet strength of 417.

(b) 58 buses are in the Workshop undergoing major repairs and 15 buses of obsolete model are lying out of order for want of spare parts.

Community Project in Gurdaspur District (Punjab)

70. **Shri D. C. Sharma:** Will the Minister of Community Development be pleased to state:

(a) the total outlay incurred in the Community Project in Gurdaspur district (Punjab) upto the end of April, 1957;

(b) the outlay incurred in connection with the establishment in the Project; and

(c) the comparative figures of such outlay on establishment in other projects of Punjab?

The Minister of Community Development (Shri S. K. Dey): (a) Expenditure incurred upto end of January, 1957 is Rs. 53 lakhs (rounded). Figures upto April 1957 are not available.

(b) Rs. 6,08,435 (upto end of January, 1957).

(c) The following figures in respect of other Projects are available upto the end of the month shown against each.

District Ambala

Jagadhri—upto September, 1956
Rs. 5,47,486.

District Jullundur

Nawansahr—upto January, 1957
Rs. 5,78,088.

District Rohtak

Sonepat—upto December, 1956
Rs. 5,72,774.

District Sangrur

Dhuri—upto September, 1956
Rs. 6,65,506.

National Highways in Punjab

71. **Shri D. C. Sharma:** Will the Minister of Transport and Communications be pleased to state:

(a) the total amount of the estimated cost of important National Highway original works in the State of Punjab sanctioned during 1955-56 to 1957-58, year-wise; and

(b) how much of this amount has been actually spent and what is the sum that lapsed during the years 1955-56 and 1956-57?

The Minister of State in the Ministry of Transport and Communications (Shri Raj Bahadur): (a)

1955-56	Rs. 52.65 lakhs.
1956-57	Rs. 19.68 lakhs.
1957-58	Nil.

(upto 15th May 1957)

(b) The sanctioned amounts are spent over a number of years. According to the figures of expenditure so far available, a sum of Rs. 5.41 lakhs was spent in 1955-56 and Rs. 4.49 lakhs upto December 1956. As the estimates are current till the works are completed and they are not sanctioned on year-to-year basis, the question of lapse does not arise.

Railway Employees on Western Railway

72. **Pandit M. B. Bhargava:** Will the Minister of Railways be pleased to state:

(a) the number of Class II employees on the Western Railway officiating in Selection posts for periods