

become available, additional trunk positions will be installed and long distance circuits built up to improve the service.

**Post Office in Dandigam**

1172. **Shri Dora:** Will the Minister of Transport and Communications be pleased to state:

(a), whether there has been a public demand for a Post Office in Dandigam Village in Salu Taluq in Srilakulam District (Andhra); and

(b) if so, what action is proposed to be taken in this regard?

The Minister of State in the Ministry of Transport and Communications (Shri Humayun Kabir): (a) and (b). Hitherto no demand has been received from public for opening a post office at Dandigam. However, the proposal is now under examination and the office will be opened, if found justified, during the Second Plan period.

**Members of Railway Board**

1173. **Shri B. S. Murthy:** Will the Minister of Railways be pleased to state:

(a) the tenure of the additional Members of Railway Board; and

(b) whether any further additions are contemplated?

The Deputy Minister of Railways (Shri Shahnawaz Khan): (a) the tenure is upto 24-6-59 for the present.

(b) No.

**Police Firing on Railwaymen at Kalka**

1174. **Shri M. Elias:** Will the Minister of Railways be pleased to state:

(a) the total amount spent toward legal expenses by the Railways in connection with the Judicial Inquiry into police firing on Railwaymen at Kalka during May, 1956; and

(b) the actual amount paid to the counsel engaged by the Railways?

The Deputy Minister of Railways (Shri Shahnawaz Khan): (a) About Rs. 7,680.

(b) A fee of Rs. 4,800 was paid to the Solicitor General and Rs. 600 by way of expenses to Shri Sachin Choudhri.

**Post Offices and Telephone Exchanges in Marathwada**

1175. **Shri Pangarkar:** Will the Minister of Transport and Communications be pleased to state:

(a) the number of post offices and telephone exchanges opened during the First Five Year Plan in the five districts of Marathwada (Bombay); and

(b) the number of telephone exchanges proposed to be opened during the Second Five Year Plan in the above-mentioned districts?

The Minister of State in the Ministry of Transport and Communications (Shri Humayun Kabir): (a)

Name of district of Marathwada	No. of post offices opened	No of telephone exchanges opened
1. Aurangabad . . . . .	94	..
2. Bhir . . . . .	65	..
3. Nanded . . . . .	46	1
4. Osmanabad . . . . .	141	1
5. Parbhani . . . . .	70	3

(b) Name of district	Exchanges to be opened
1. Bhir . . . . .	1
2. Osmanabad . . . . .	1