

Kanpur Section, of the Northern Railway, 10 wagons on the train (3rd to 10th and the 13th & 14th from the engine) derailed over points No. 9E, which had been damaged by the pull rod of a wagon on the train.

#### Ground-nut cake

127. **Shri Bali Reddy:** Will the Minister of Food and Agriculture be pleased to state the production of ground-nut cake in India State-wise during the years 1955 and 1956?

**The Minister of food and Agriculture (Shri A. P. Jain):** Precise information about the production of ground-nut cake in the country is not available. According to *ad-hoc* estimates, the all-India production of ground-nut cake during the years 1955-56 and 1956-57 is estimated at about 1,292,000 and 1,390,000 tons respectively. State-wise data are not available.

#### Working of the Ministry

128. **Shri D. C. Sharma:** Will the Minister of Transport and Communications be pleased to refer to the reply given to Unstarred Question No 900 on the 15th December 1956, and state

(a) whether any further improvement has been effected in the working of the Ministry and its Attached and Subordinate Offices since the Vigilance Officer was appointed, and

(b) the number of officers since dealt with for corruption and other irregularities?

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

(b) A statement is laid on the Table of Lok Sabha [See Appendix I, annexure No 58]

#### New Line between Sukinda Mines and Paradip Port

129. **Shri P. K. Deo:** Will the Minister of Railways be pleased to state

(a) whether Government propose to construct a railway line between

Sukinda Mines and Paradip Port in Orissa; and

(b) if so, when the line will be completed?

**The Deputy Minister of Railways (Shri Shah Nawaz Khan):** (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

#### Bhavnagar-Tarapur Railway

130. **Shri M. M. Gandhi:** Will the Minister of Railways be pleased to state

(a) whether the traffic survey of the proposed Bhavnagar-Tarapur Railway line has been completed,

(b) if so, whether the report thereof has been submitted to the Government,

(c) whether Government propose to lay a copy of the report on the Table of the Sabha, and

(d) whether the construction of the line will not be taken up during the Second Five Year Plan?

**The Deputy Minister of Railways (Shri Shah Nawaz Khan):** (a) No. (b) and (c) Do not arise.

(d) The construction of this line is not included in the 842 miles of new lines approved by the Planning Commission for construction during the Second Five Year Plan period.

#### Nergundi-Khurda Road Railway Line

131. **Shri Mahanty:** Will the Minister of Railways be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government propose to double track the Nergundi-Khurda Road Section in the South Eastern Railway, and

(b) if so, when the work is likely to be taken up?

**The Deputy Minister of Railways (Shri Shah Nawaz Khan):** (a) It is proposed to double only the portion between Retang and Khurda Road of the Nergundi-Khurda Road Section.

(b) The work is included in the 1957-58 Programme and will be taken in hand after the estimates are prepared, examined and sanctioned.

#### New Railway Line in Kerala

132. Shri Narayanankutty Menon: Will the Minister of Railways be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have received any representation from the Kerala Government for survey of a railway line from Kuttippuram to Cranganore in the Kerala State, and

(b) whether Government have taken any decision on that?

The Deputy Minister of Railways (Shri Shah Nawaz Khan): (a) Yes, Sir

(b) It has not been possible to include this proposal in the Second Five Year Plan

#### Grain shop Staff absorbed as Ticket Collectors

133. Shri Hasda: Will the Minister of Railways be pleased to refer to the reply given to Unstarred Question No 364 on the 28th May, 1957, and state.

(a) the basis on which the ex-grain shop staff absorbed as Ticket Collectors were promoted as Travelling Ticket Examiners; and

(b) whether those promoted Travelling Ticket Examiners have superseded the other Ticket Collectors appointed through the Railway Service Commission?

The Deputy Minister of Railways (Shri Shah Nawaz Khan): (a) and (b) All promotions were made strictly on the basis of seniority and there has been no supersession

#### पूर्वांतर रेलवे पर प्लेटफार्म

१३४ श्री विभूति मिश्र क्या रेलवे मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या सरकार ने पूर्वांतर रेलवे के बगटा, खरपोखर और गज, रामनगर,

नरकटिया गज, साठी, सिकटा और मरखदा स्टेशनों के प्लेटफार्मों को ऊंचा करने की कोई योजना बनाई है ,

(ख) यदि हा, तो ये प्लेटफार्म कब ऊंचे किये जायेंगे , और

(ग) उन का क्रम क्या है ?

रेलवे उपमंत्री (श्री शाहनवाज खाँ) :

(क) जी नहीं। शायद माननीय सदस्य का मतलब बगटा, रामनगर के बजाय बगहा और हरिनगर से है।

(ख) और (ग) सबाल नहीं उठता।

#### Imphal Telegraph Office

135. Shri L. Achaw Singh: Will the Minister of Transport and Communications be pleased to state.

(a) the total amount collected during the year 1955-56 and 1956-57 on account of late fee charges for telegrams despatched from Imphal Telegraph Office

(b) whether it is a fact that a large number of telegrams have been booked after normal working hours i.e. after 6 pm in the Imphal Telegraph Office, and

(c) if so, whether Government propose extension of working hours upto 9 pm ?

The Minister of State in the Ministry of Transport and Communications (Shri Raj Bahadur): (a) Rs 422 were collected during 1955-56 while Rs. 612 were collected during 1956-57

(b) No such cases have been brought to the notice of the P & T Directorate so far

(c) Does not arise

#### Rice and Paddy in Manipur

136. Shri L. Achaw Singh: Will the Minister of Food and Agriculture be