

to Madras Government for development of fisheries during 1957-58.

Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes in D.T.S.

2233. Shri Elayaperumal: Will the Minister of Transport and Communications be pleased to state:

(a) how many Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes are working in the D.T.S. in Delhi at present;

(b) Category of employees

	No. of employees	
	Scheduled Castes	Scheduled Tribes
Clerks
Traffic Supervisory staff (i.e. Traffic Controllers, Traffic Inspectors, T.T. Es., Depot Supervisors, etc.)	2	..
Workshop Supervisory personnel (i.e. Foreman, Assistant Foreman, etc.)	2	..
Conductors	4	..
Drivers	20	8
Skilled and Semi-skilled technicians	8	7
Class IV Staff (i.e. Peons, Cleaners, Mazdoors, Sweepers, etc.)	126	10
TOTAL	162	25

(c) Yes.

(d) Does not arise.

Chirakkal Train Halt

2234. Shri Jinachandran: Will the Minister of Railways be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are aware that the public of Chirakkal, near Cannanore (Kerala) have sent various representations to the Railway authorities in the past three years to convert the Chirakkal Train Halt into a Flag Station; and

(b) whether Government propose to take immediate steps to make this a Flag Station with improved amenities to the passengers?

The Deputy Minister of Railways (Shri Shahnawas Khan): (a) Yes, some representations have been received.

(b) how many of them are clerks, supervisors, checkers and conductors;

(c) whether any reservation has been made for these classes; and

(d) if not, the reasons therefor?

The Minister of State in the Ministry of Transport and Communications (Shri Raj Bahadur): (a) Scheduled Castes 162; Scheduled Tribes 25.

(b) No, not immediately. A number of train halts await conversion into flag stations on Southern Railway, and Chirakkal's case will be considered along with that of the others in its order of priority having due regard to the volume of traffic dealt with.

Railway Passenger Amenities

2235. Shri Ajit Singh Sarhadi: Will the Minister of Railways be pleased to state:

(a) the total number of Railway stations on the Northern Railway Zone, where minimum passenger amenities are not provided; and

(b) when they are likely to be provided with such amenities?