

(b) whether there is any proposal to double the rail track between Mau Junction and Indara Junction; and

(c) if so, by what time it is going to be completed?

The Deputy Minister of Railways (Shri Shahnawas Khan): (a) Yes, due to inadequate terminal facilities at Mau and Indara, which are being improved.

(b) No.

(c) Does not arise.

Electrification of Jalna Railway Station

1378. Shri A. V. Ghare: Will the Minister of Railways be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that there is electricity in Jalna city, Aurangabad district in Bombay State;

(b) if so, why electricity is not provided for Jalna Railway Station; and

(c) when Government propose to electrify Jalna Station?

The Deputy Minister of Railways (Shri S. V. Ramaswamy): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) and (c). Electrification of station is done on programmed basis subject to availability of funds and supply of electric power at reasonable rate. Priorities for electrification of stations are decided in consultation with Passenger Amenities Committee keeping in view the importance of the station.

The Passenger Amenities Committee has approved electrification of Jalna Railway Station for inclusion in 1959-60 programme.

Opening of a station between Partur and Rajani Stations

1379. Shri A. V. Ghare: Will the Minister of Railways be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government has received any representation from the public to open a station between

Partur and Rajani Stations on Manmad-Kachiguda Main line; and

(b) if so, what action has been taken thereon?

The Deputy Minister of Railways (Shri S. V. Ramaswamy): (a) Yes.

(b) The proposal for providing a flag station between Partur and Rajani Stations was investigated but was found to be not justified.

Consideration is now being given to see if a Contractor-worked train halt at the site would be justified.

Supply of Foodgrains to various State Governments

1380. Shri Sadhu Ram: Will the Minister of Food and Agriculture be pleased to state:

(a) the total quantity of wheat and rice supplied by the Central Government to the various States from 1st January, 1958 to 31st July, 1958; and

(b) the price at which supplied?

The Minister of Food and Agriculture (Shri A. P. Jain): (a) Wheat: 1,467 thousand tons.

Rice: 362 thousand tons.

(b) Wheat: Rs. 14 per maund.

Rice: From Rs. 16 to Rs. 30 per maund, according to quality.

Railway Codes

1382. Shri Rajendra Singh: Will the Minister of Railways be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that correction slips to Railway codes are printed and issued long after their official issue by the Railway Board and thus lose their utility; and

(b) if so, the reasons therefor?

The Deputy Minister of Railways (Shri Shahnawas Khan): (a) There is usually a time lag in getting the correction slips printed and making them available for sale. Their utility, however, is not at all lost as advance