

**India-U.S.A. Cargo Service**

112. **Shri D. C. Sharma:** Will the Minister of Transport and Communications be pleased to state the progress made so far with regard to the floating of a new shipping company for operating a cargo service between India and U.S.A.?

The Minister of State in the Ministry of Transport and Communications (**Shri Raj Bahadur**): A new shipping company, known as Indian Overseas Shipping Company Limited, has been incorporated on the 9th November, 1957 for operating a cargo service between India and U.S.A. The company have been granted permission by Government to issue capital to the extent of Rs. 150 lakhs. So far as is known, the company have not yet acquired a ship.

**Telegraph Enquiry Committee**

113. { **Shri D. C. Sharma:**  
**Shri Sanganna:**  
**Shri S. M. Banerjee:**  
**Shri Tangamani:**  
**Shri Bhakti Darshan:**  
**Shri S. C. Samanta:**  
**Sardar Iqbal Singh:**  
**Shri Ram Krishan:**

Will the Minister of Transport and Communications be pleased to refer to the reply given to Starred Question No. 54 on the 12th February, 1958 and state:

(a) whether the Telegraph Enquiry Committee has since submitted its report;

(b) if so, what are its recommendations; and

(c) the decisions taken thereon?

The Minister of Transport and Communications (**Shri S. K. Patil**): (a) No. It is expected to be submitted by 31st August, 1958.

(b) and (c). Do not arise in view of reply to (a) above.

**Railway Officials' Delegation to Japan**

114. { **Shri D. C. Sharma:**  
**Shri Bihkul Mishra:**  
**Shri Daljit Singh**

Will the Minister of Railways be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that on the invitation of the Japanese National Railway, a delegation of Railway officials visited Japan in May, 1958 to study the railway system there;

(b) if so, the main recommendations of the Delegation with particular reference to modernisation and electrification of Indian Railways; and

(c) the action taken thereon?

The Deputy Minister of Railways (**Shri Shah Nawaz Khan**): (a) A delegation of three Railway officials visited Japan in May, 1958 at the invitation of the Japanese National Railway with a view to promoting and developing close relations between the Indian Railways and the Japanese National Railway and also for discussions regarding modernising the Railways, particularly alternating current electrification.

(b) and (c). The delegation saw the working of the Railways generally and it is not the intention to have a detailed report. Appropriate action will be taken departmentally on the matters that came to their notice.

**Air Accidents**

115. **Shri D. C. Sharma:** Will the Minister of Transport and Communications be pleased to lay on the Table a statement showing:

(a) details of air accidents which took place during 1957 and 1958 so far, year-wise, concerning the Air India International and the Indian Airlines Corporation, separately;

(b) the extent of loss sustained by the Air India International and the Indian Air Lines Corporation, separately, as a result of such accidents;