

quiries made so far show that a cracker prepared for Holi by some boys was placed on the track for the sake of fun

#### Surveyors on Central Railway

2914 Shri Vajpayee: Will the Minister of Railways be pleased to state

(a) the number of surveyors on the Central Railway at present;

(b) the number of those who are still temporary,

(c) whether it is a fact that some surveyors who have put in ten to twelve years' service have not been made permanent as yet,

(d) if so, the reasons therefor, and

(e) the steps taken in the matter?

The Deputy Minister of Railways (Shri Shah nawas Khan): (a) 102

(b) 96

(c) Yes, 4 have put in more than 10 years' service

(d) Posts of surveyors are required only for survey work in connection with construction of new lines, doubling of existing lines, laying of sidings, assisted sidings, etc. These are temporary work-charged posts which cease with the completion of a survey and must therefore be temporary

(e) Endeavour is being made to convert as many temporary posts into permanent as possible

#### Travel Concerns at Ahmedabad

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Will the Minister of Railways be pleased to state

(a) whether it is a fact that number of Travel Concerns at Ahmedabad had organized in the months of February and March, 1959 tours of various places, by train,

(b) if so whether Government had given any facilities to these travel concerns, and

(c) if so, the nature of the concessions and facilities given?

The Deputy Minister of Railways (Shri Shah nawas Khan): (a) Yes. 7 Special trains were arranged and coaches were allotted on 22 occasions during the period.

(b) and (c) The running of the special trains and coaches was in accordance with the rates and conditions prescribed in the Coaching Tariff. No special facility or concession has been given to these tourist concerns, except that recognised tourist agents were allowed a commission of 5 per cent on the value of the tickets issued by them in accordance with the agreements entered into with them

#### Family Planning

2916 Shri Ramakrishna Reddy: Will the Minister of Health be pleased to state

(a) whether the Indian Medical Health Council in Bombay is trying to develop a biological method of sterilization which will be more effective than the methods already in vogue: i.e. oral, mechanical, and

(b) how long will it take to develop the new method and to make it available to the public?

The Minister of Health (Shri Karmarkar). (a) We have no information whether any Indian Medical Health Council exists in Bombay and whether any biological method of sterilization is being developed by such council

(b) Does not arise

#### Indian Council of Medical Research

2917 Shri Ayyakannu: Will the Minister of Health be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the Indian Council of Medical Research has recommended research work for proper disposal of human excreta, and

(b) if so, the progress made so far?