

(b) if so, how many such employees of the Southern Railway have received this benefit in 1958?

The Deputy Minister of Railways (Shri Shah Nawaz Khan): (a) Yes, to free medical treatment.

(b) The number of patients registered and treated in Railway Hospitals and Health Units during the calendar year 1958 is given below:

Hospitals	Health Units
3,09,935	4,48,915

रेलवे कर्मचारियों के विरुद्ध शिकायतें

२४३४. { श्री नवल प्रभाकर :  
श्री ए० ला० बाबुपाल :  
श्री बलजीत सिंह :

क्या रेलवे मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि

(क) वर्ष १९५८-५९ में रेलवे के प्रत्येक महाखंड में रेलवे कर्मचारियों के विरुद्ध कितनी शिकायतें प्राप्त हुईं,

(ख) ये शिकायतें किस प्रकार की थीं,

(ग) उनमें से कितने कर्मचारियों के विरुद्ध विभागीय कार्यवाही की गई थी

(घ) कितने कर्मचारियों को दण्ड दिया गया ?

रेलवे उपमंत्री (श्री शाहनवाज खां) :

(क) से (घ) एक विवरण समा-पटल पर रख दिया गया है। [वैलिये परिशिष्ट ५, अनुसूची मरुदा ५२]।

#### Train Accident

2435. Shrimati Ila Palchoudhuri: Will the Minister of Railways be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that due to the alertness of the engine driver of the Mysore-Bangalore passenger train, a major accident was averted on the night of February 25, 1959; and

(b) if so, the details of the incident?

The Deputy Minister of Railways (Shri Shah Nawaz Khan): (a) It is a fact that an accident was averted by the alertness of the driver of the Mysore-Bangalore Passenger on the morning of 25th February, 1959

(b) At 5 A.M. when the engine of the train came on to the Single 150 feet span girder bridge over the Lokapavani River, between Pandavapura-Byadarahalli, the engine driver experienced a sway and immediately brought the train to a halt. Nothing wrong was found with the engine and no derailment occurred. The track at the Bangalore end of the bridge had, however, shifted laterally. Inspection showed that the shift was the result of dislodgement of the rocker of the left hand bearing of girder at the Mysore end. A departmental Inquiry Committee of Inter and Junior Administrative Officers has been held and their report on the cause of the dislodgement of the rocker bearing is under finalisation.

#### Goods Train Accident

2436 Shrimati Ila Palchoudhuri: Will the Minister of Railways be pleased to state

(a) whether it is a fact that a goods train coming from Ghaziabad on the Northern Railway was involved in an accident near Hapur Railway Station on the afternoon of the 24th February, 1959,

(b) if so, the details of the accident, and

(c) the extent of loss caused as result of the accident?

The Deputy Minister of Railways (Shri S. V. Ramaswamy): (a) and (b) On 24-2-1959 about 12-55 hours while No 6034 Down Goods train was entering Hapur station, leading brake block hanger of one of the wagons dropped down and got entangled into points as a result of which three wagons of the train derailed blocking through running of trains. None

was injured. Through communication was restored 15.40 hours the same day.

(c) The approximate cost of damage to the Railway property has been assessed at Rs. 600 only.

**Telephone Connections**

2437. **Shri Subman Ghose:** Will the Minister of Transport and Communications be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that yearly rent of telephones to be installed was taken in October, 1958 from the applicants from Burdwan town (West Bengal);

(b) if so, the number of such subscribers; and

(c) the reasons for delay in giving the connections?

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

(b) 36.

(c) Shortage of essential stores.

**Mobile Post Offices**

2438. **Shri Koratkar:** Will the Minister of Transport and Communications be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government propose to extend the facilities of Urban Mobile Post Offices to some more cities during 1959; and

(d) if so, how many such Post Offices will be introduced?

The Minister of State in the Ministry of Transport and Communications (Shri Raj Bahadur): (a) No.

(b) Does not arise.

**Facility for Hindi Telegrams in Post Offices**

2439. **Shri Koratkar:** Will the Minister of Transport and Communications be pleased to state:

(a) the total number of telegraph offices in the country where facilities

have been provided for Hindi Telegrams so far;

(b) whether Government propose to introduce this facility in more Telegraph Offices; and

(c) if so, how many Telegraph Offices will be covered during 1959?

The Minister of State in the Ministry of Transport and Communications (Shri Raj Bahadur): (a) 1,394.

(b) Yes.

(c) About 200.

**B.C.G. Vaccine Laboratory, Guindy, Madras**

2440. **Shri Koratkar:** Will the Minister of Health be pleased to state:

(a) the daily capacity of production of B.C.G., Vaccine Laboratory at Guindy in Madras; and

(b) the total quantity of Tuberculin supplied by India to South Eastern countries during 1958?

The Minister of Health (Shri Kar-markar): (a) After a week's processing, B.C.G. Vaccine is produced once a week in the B.C.G. Vaccine Laboratory, Guindy, Madras. Tuberculin is made out of a stock solution according to requirements once a week or fortnight. 50,000 ccs. of B.C.G. Vaccine and 85,850 ccs. of Tuberculin are produced weekly.

(b) 2,15,100 ccs. of Tuberculin were supplied by the B.C.G. Vaccine Laboratory, Guindy, to South Eastern countries, during 1958.

**Purchase of Ships**

2441. **Shri Ram Krishan Gupta:** Will the Minister of Transport and Communications be pleased to state:

(a) whether the negotiations between the Industrial Investment and Finance Corporation and certain Indian shipping firms regarding purchase of second hand ships have been concluded; and