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The Deputy Minister of Railways (Shri S. V. Ramaswamy): (a) No, Sir—none at present.

(b) Does not arise.

## **Employees of Western Railway**

1112. Shri Dindod: Will the Minister of Railways be pleased to state:

(a) the number of employees of Western Railway removed/dismissed and discharged from railway service during the last three years;

(b) the number of employees of Dohad Loco Workshop, Western Railway, removed/dismissed and discharged from Railway service during the above period;

(c) the percentage of such cases referred to in part (a) above as compared with any one year prior to March, 1956; and

(d) if the percentage is high, the reasons therefor?

The Deputy Minister of Railways (Shri Shahnawaz Khan): (a) to (d). Information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the House.

## Appointments on Northern Railway

1113. Shri D. C. Sharma: Will the Minister of Railways be pleased to state:

(a) how many persons were appointed on the Northern Railway during the year 1959-60, Grade-wise;

(b) whether the reserved quota in services for Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes was filled up; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor?

## The Deputy Minister of Railways (Shri Shahnawaz Khan):

- (a) Class III . 1101, Class IV . 3,349
- Class IV 3,349 (b) Scheduled Not to the full Castev extent Scheduled No reservation Tribes vota exists for the Northern Railway.

(c) (i) In certain technical categories the members of this community are not available in sufficient numbers;

(ii) for more than one year a ban has been in force on recruitment to workshops;

(iii) in a number of cases either offers of appointments were not responded to or there were failures in medical test.

## **Platforms at Stations**

1114. Shri H. N. Mukorjee: Will the Minister of Railways be pleased to state:

(a) what is the average daily number of trains arriving at and departing from (i) Howrah, (ii) Sealdah, (iii) Bombay, V.T., (iv) Bombay Central,
(v) Madras Central, (vi) Madras Egmore, (vii) Delhi and (viii) New Delhi stations;

(b) the number of platforms in the said stations; and

(c) whether there is any scheme for improving platform facilities in any or all of the said stations?

The Deputy Minister of Railways (Shri Shahnawaz Khan): (a)

				Daily average	Daily average number of trains		
Station	Arriving at		Arriving at	Departing from			
I				2	3		
(i) Howrah		·		127	127		
(ii) Sealdah				138	138		
(iii) Bombay VT				269	268		
(iv) Bombay Central	•	•	•	12 (Non suburban only)	12 (Non suburban on		