

tenders are expected to be called for during this month.

(d) *Cattle Yard Buildings*: The detailed drawings for the Cattle Yard Buildings are under preparation by the Central P.W.D. and the construction is expected to start in 1961-62.

(e) *Additional Residential Quarters for Staff*: The construction of 26 additional residential quarters for the staff is expected to be taken up during the year 1961-62.

2. Other Items:

It has been decided to start the Post-graduate Wing of the Dairy Science College at the Institute and to institute M.Sc. (Dairying) Degree Course. The Course is expected to start during February or early March, 1961. This Course is being instituted by the Government of India for the first time. It is also proposed to start the B.Sc. (Dairy Husbandry) Degree Course during this year. Most of the equipments proposed to be obtained under Foreign Aid Programme, have been received. The new Experimental Dairy is being equipped and this work is expected to be completed by March, 1961.

The National Dairy Research Institute is a development project and it has been included as such in the Second Five Year Plan under the Dairy Development sector. Further development of the Institute under the Third Five Year Plan is also planned and a provision of Rs. 200 lakhs has been proposed to the Planning Commission.

Circular Railway around Calcutta

687. **Shri D. C. Sharma**: Will the Minister of Railways be pleased to refer to the reply given to Unstarred Question No. 2072 on the 5th September, 1960 and state:

(a) whether any progress has since been made in regard to the scheme for Circular Railway around Calcutta; and

(b) if so, the nature thereof?

The Deputy Minister of Railways (Shri S. V. Ramaswamy): (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

पुरी स्टेशन

६८८. **श्री कुशवन्त राय** : क्या रेलवे मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या यह सच है कि दक्षिण-पूर्व रेलवे के पुरी स्टेशन पर जो सामिष भोजनालय है उस में भोजन के समय भी भोजन नहीं मिलता ; और

(ख) यदि हां, तो इस के क्या कारण हैं ?

रेलवे उपमंत्री (श्री शाहनवाज खां) :

(क) और (ख). पुरी रेलवे स्टेशन पर सामिष भोजन की व्यवस्था है और वहां भोजन न मिलने की बात अभी तक नोटिस में नहीं आई है ।

Reservation Clerks on Central Railway

689. **Shri Pangarkar**: Will the Minister of Railways be pleased to state:

(a) the number of reservation clerks on Central Railway grade-wise and station-wise; and

(b) the number of passenger guides working on Central Railway?

The Deputy Minister of Railways (Shri Shahnawas Khan): (a) A statement is given below.

STATEMENT

There are 33 Reservation Clerks on the Central Railway whose grade-wise and station-wise distribution is as follows:—

Station	Grade	No.
	Rs.	
Bombay V.T.	150-240 (AS)	23
Poona	"	5
Jabalpur	"	1
Secunderabad	"	2
Hyderabad	"	2
Total	..	33

In addition to the above, Enquiry Clerks at the following stations attend to combined duties of Enquiry Clerks and Reservation Clerks while working on shift duties:

Station	Grade	No.
	Rs.	
Bombay V.T.	150-240 (AS)	5
Dadar	"	2
Poona	"	2
Nagpur	205-280 (AS)	1
"	150-240 (AS)	5
Sholapur	"	1
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Casual Workers

690. Shri Pangarkar: Will the Minister of Railways be pleased to state:

(a) the total number of casual workers on the Central Railway at present;

(b) how many of such workers have put in more than one year of continuous work; and

(c) the number absorbed in regular service during the same period?

The Deputy Minister of Railways (Shri Shah Nawaz Khan): (a) 51699 (as on 31.12.60).

(b) 4137.

(c) 3166.

Electrification of Stations on S. Railway

691. Shri Pangarkar: Will the Minister of Railways be pleased to state:

(a) the number of railway stations which have been electrified during the year 1960-61 so far on the Southern Railway; and

(b) the number of railway stations still pending to be electrified?

The Deputy Minister of Railways (Shri Shah Nawaz Khan): (a) and (b).

During 1960-61, upto 15.2.1961, 37 stations have been electrified. Work is in progress at 36 more stations. 37 stations where power is expected to be available in 1961-62 are proposed to be programmed for electrification during 1961-62. The remaining stations will also be taken up for electrification on a programme basis.

Levelling Operations in Maharashtra

692. Shri Pangarkar: Will the Minister of Food and Agriculture be pleased to state the financial assistance given to Maharashtra State by the Central Government for levelling operations of land for agricultural purposes during the year 1960-61 so far?

The Minister of Agriculture (Dr. P. S. Deshmukh): There are two schemes for levelling and terracing of lands in the agricultural development plan of Maharashtra, one of which is a research scheme under the group 'Soil Conservation' and the other a works scheme under the group 'land development'. As funds for all such development schemes are made available to State Governments periodically in a lump sum and not by individual schemes, the information asked for is not available with the Government of India.

Foodgrains supplied to Bihar

693. Shri Pangarkar: Will the Minister of Food and Agriculture be pleased to state:

(a) the quantity of foodgrains, both rice and wheat, supplied to the State of Bihar in November, December, 1960 and January, 1961 separately; and

(b) the price at which they were sold to the consumers?

The Deputy Minister of Food and Agriculture (Shri A. M. Thomas): (a) No rice was supplied to the Bihar Government. The following quantities of wheat were distributed in the State from Central stocks:—

Month	(In '000 metric tons)
November, 1960	13.9
December, 1960	11.4
January, 1961	13.9