

(b) According to the phased programme, 22 Pre-extension blocks are due for allotment to Punjab and 18 Pre-extension blocks opened during 1960-61 are due for conversion to Stage-I during 1961-62. The question of allotment of 11 Pre-extension blocks out of the 22, during April, 1961, is pending due to shortages of trained staff in certain categories in the existing blocks in the State. It is only after allotment that the selection of new Blocks will be made by the State Government. There is, therefore, no information about the names of these Blocks at present.

#### New Telephone Connections in Punjab

4329. { Shri Ram Krishan Gupta:  
Shri D. C. Sharma:  
Shri Daljit Singh:

Will the Minister of Transport and Communications be pleased to state:

(a) the number of new telephone connections given in Punjab during 1960-61 district-wise; and

(b) the total amount spent in this connection?

The Minister of Transport and Communications (Dr. P. Subbarayan): (a) The statement showing the number of new telephone connections given district-wise is laid on the Table [See Appendix V, annexure No. 54].

(b) The total expenditure incurred on subscribers installations was about Rs. 5.4 lakhs.

#### पुरी स्टेशन पर प्रतीक्षालय

४३३०. श्री सुभाषचन्द्र राय : क्या रेलवे मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) दक्षिण-पूर्व रेलवे के पुरी स्टेशन पर पिछले पांच वर्षों में कितने प्रतीक्षालय बनाये गये; और

(ख) यदि एक भी नहीं बनाया गया तो, इसके क्या कारण हैं ?

रेलवे उपमंत्री (श्री शाहनवाज खां) :

(क) कोई नहीं ।

(ख) इस स्टेशन पर ग्राम तौर पर जितने यात्री आते-जाते हैं, उनकी संख्या को देखते हुए वर्तमान सुविधाएं पर्याप्त समझी जाती हैं ।

#### Thefts and Pilferages on C. Railway

4331. Shri Pangarkar: Will the Minister of Railways be pleased to state:

(a) the number of cases of thefts, pilferages and loss of property that have occurred from November, 1960 to January 1961 on the Central Railway; and

(b) how does this compare with the corresponding period of the year 1959-60?

The Deputy Minister of Railways (Shri Shah Nawaz Khan): (a) and (b). A statement is laid on the Table [See Appendix VI, annexure No. 55].

#### Movement of Foodgrains in Madhya Pradesh

4332. Shri Pangarkar: Will the Minister of Railways be pleased to state:

(a) the quantity of foodgrains which moved out of Madhya Pradesh during the year 1959-60 and the quantity of foodgrains brought to Madhya Pradesh during the same period by Railways; and

(b) the freight charges earned by Railways on these movements of foodgrains?

The Deputy Minister of Railways (Shri S. V. Ramaswamy): (a) During the year 1959-60, 9,05,446 tons approximately of foodgrains were moved out of Madhya Pradesh and 1,00,857 tons approximately of foodgrains were brought to Madhya Pradesh.