

(b) **Gwalior**.—Additions and alterations to the station building, new III class waiting hall with flush latrines, extension and cover over platform, circulating areas, tonga stand, cycle stand, paving of platforms and foot over-bridge. In addition the B.G. and N.G. yard is being extensively remodelled.

Bhopal.—Cover over platform and foot over-bridge, conversion of parcel office into waiting hall with extension, modernisation of station building with flush type latrines and improved booking facilities, provision of new R.M.S. Office and improvements to circulating area. Four double bed retiring rooms, 2 double bed tourist retiring rooms with a tourist waiting room and lounge are being provided on 1st floor of the main building.

(c) **Gwalior**.—The entire work of station remodelling is likely to be completed by end of April, 1961.

Bhopal.—The entire work is likely to be completed by December, 1961.

Foreigners Employed in Indian Railways

3076. Shri Pangarkar Will the Minister of Railways be pleased to state:

(a) the number of foreigners employed in Indian Railways; and

(b) the number of experts amongst them?

The Deputy Minister of Railways (Shri Shah Nawaz Khan): (a) 58. This figure does not include Nepalese, Goans and Pakistanis who have migrated with the intention of permanently settling down in India.

(b) One.

Family Planning Centres in Punjab

3077. Shri Hem Raj: Will the Minister of Health be pleased to state:

(a) the number of Family Planning Centres proposed to be opened during 1961-62 in Punjab; and

(b) how many of them will be located in the Punjab Hills?

The Minister of Health (Shri Karmarkar): (a) Ten Family Planning Centres are proposed to be opened by the Government of Punjab during 1961-62.

(b) The location of the Centres has not yet been finalised.

Thefts and Pilferages on N. Railway

3078. Shri D. C. Sharma: 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 March, 1961 on the Northern Railway; and

(b) how does this compare with the figures for 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 v, annexure No. 17].

Nagapattinam Harbour

3079. Shri Dharmalingam: Will the Minister of Transport and Communications be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that passengers at Nagapattinam Harbour undergo a lot of inconvenience due to lack of facilities;

(b) if so, the action taken to improve the situation; and

(c) the amount of money spent to improve the condition during the Second Five Year Plan period?

The Minister of State in the Ministry of Transport and Communications (Shri Raj Bahadur): (a) and (b). As far as Central Government are aware, essential passenger amenities are available at Nagapattinam. Although the bar at the entrance is shallow, lighters of the type plying there can cross the bar safely even at half tide.

But at low tides, the passage of lighters over the bar may involve danger to life and craft. The main need, therefore, is for the execution of works designed to improve the bar. The Government of Madras, who are concerned with the execution of these works have already made a beginning with them in the Second Plan period.

(c) An expenditure of Rs. 4.5 lakhs was expected to be incurred in the Second Plan period.

Overbridge at Kodampakkam Station

3080. Shri Dharmalingam: Will the Minister of Railways be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is any proposal to construct an overbridge at Kodampakkam, Madras on the line between Fort station and Tambaram; and

(b) if so, nature of action taken thereon?

The Deputy Minister of Railways (Shri Shahnawaz Khan): (a) No, Sir. It is for the State Government to consider the necessity or otherwise for the provision of an over/underbridge in replacement of the existing level crossing near Kodampakkam station. The Railway would be willing to implement the scheme on receipt of a specific request from the State Government and on their agreeing to share the cost of the scheme as per extant rules.

(b) Does not arise.

Shramdan Roads in Orissa

3081. Shri Kumbhar: Will the Minister of Community Development and Co-operation be pleased to state:

(a) the number of the Shramdan roads district-block-wise in Orissa State completed or under construction so far during the First and Second Five Year Plan periods;

(b) the nature of help given by the Centre and Orissa State during that period year-wise so far for these roads;

(c) by what time the rest of works would be completed; and

(d) the number of the roads among them district-block-wise, made all-whether, fair-weather bullock cartable, motorable and bus-serviceable so far?

The Deputy Minister of Community Development and Co-operation (Shri B. S. Murthy): (a) to (d). Information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the House.

Revenue Roads in Orissa

3082. Shri Khumbhar: Will the Minister of Transport and Communications be pleased to state:

(a) the amount allotted from the State and Central Sectors separately for construction of revenue roads in Orissa State district-wise during the Second Five-Year Plan period, year-wise;

(b) the names of the roads, District-wise, completed or under construction so far with that amount in that State;

(c) the names of roads, district-wise, of First Five-Year Plan period if any repaired with that amount;

(d) by what time the rest of the work would be completed and with what amount;

(e) the names of roads among them converted into Public Works Department roads, if any; and

(f) the names of the roads among them, district-wise made all-weather or fair-weather roads?

The Minister of State in the Ministry of Transport and Communications (Shri Raj Bahadur): (a) to (f). The required information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the Sabha in due course.

P.W.D. Roads in Orissa

3083. Shri Kumbhar: Will the Minister of Transport and Communications be pleased to state:

(a) the amount allotted from the State and Central Sectors separately for construction of P.W.D. roads in Orissa State District-wise during the Second Plan period, year-wise;