

(b). 30,000 doses of horse sickness vaccine valued at \$19,500 were received from T.C.M. in September, 1960, as a free gift.

(c) and (d). Since September, 1960, the production of African horse sickness vaccine has been undertaken at the Indian Veterinary Research Institute, Izatnagar. The present rate of production is about 33,000 doses per month. So far, 1,35,506 doses have been produced at the Institute.

Release of Land in Delhi

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 Shri Ram Krishan Gupta:
 Shri P. C. Borooah:
 Shri J. B. S. Bist:
 Sardar Iqbal Singh:
 Shri Radha Raman:
 Shri Shree Narayan Das:
 Shri Ram Garib:
 Shri Shiva Dat Upadhyaya:

Will the Minister of Health be pleased to refer to the reply given to Starred Question No. 727 on the 6th December, 1960 and state the nature and details of decision taken regarding releasing of land for development as construction sites by Delhi Development Authority and compensation to be paid for the land acquired?

The Minister of Health (Shri Karmarkar): The question will be answered by the Minister for Home Affairs in due course.

Wagon requirements

*1134. **Shri P. C. Borooah:** Will the Minister of Railways be pleased to state:

(a) the daily wagon requirement of the West Bengal and Bihar collieries in 1961 as estimated by the controller;

(b) the target of coal loading for the same year for these collieries as fixed by the Railway Board; and

(c) how far this target has been achieved so far taking an average of the loading done in January and February?

The Deputy Minister of Railways (Shri Shahnawaz Khan): (a) and (b). The targets of coal loading in B & B coalfields, as decided between the Ministries of S.M. & F. and Railways for the year 1960-61, are 1434 wagons for steel plants and 3596 wagons for others. The targets for the rest of the year 1961 will be the same upto June and an extra 200 wagons from July to December.

(c) In the months of January and February, 1961, the requirements of Steel Plants have been met in full and to other users an average of 3757 wagons in January and 3691 wagons in February daily have been loaded.

Interest on Postal Savings Bank Deposits

*1135. **Shri Raghunath Singh:** Will the Minister of Transport and Communications be pleased to state whether Government are considering to increase the rate of interest on the postal savings bank deposits as the rates on the other bank deposits have been increased which is likely to affect the postal deposits?

The Minister of State in the Ministry of Transport and Communications (Shri Raj Bahadur): As the increase in the rate of interest on the P.O.S.B. deposits is the concern of the Ministry of Finance, this Question will be answered by the Finance Minister on a later date.

Wagon on C. Railway

2270. **Shri Pangarkar:** Will the Minister of Railways be pleased to state:

(a) the number of wagons owned by the Central Railway at present;

(b) the number of wagons condemned and withdrawn from service during the year 1960; and

(c) the number of wagons sent to the scrap yard during the above period?

**The Deputy Minister of Railways
(Shri Shah Nawaz Khan):**

(a) Broad Gauge	45,033
Metre Gauge	2,906
Narrow Gauge (2'-6")	657
Narrow Gauge (2'-0")	383
(b) Broad Gauge	240
Metre Gauge	54
Narrow Gauge	
(c) Broad Gauge	
(i) From those condemned during 1960	240
(ii) From the stock condemned before 1-1-60 and awaiting disposal on that date	313
TOTAL	553

Metre Gauge

(i) From those condemned during 1960	30
(ii) From the stock condemned before 1-1-60 and awaiting disposal on that date	36
TOTAL	66

Narrow Gauge Nil

Warehouses

2271. **Shri Pangarkar:** Will the Minister of Food and Agriculture be pleased to state:

(a) the number of warehouses set up in the country by the Central Warehousing Corporation during the year 1960; and

(b) the total expenditure incurred on construction during the above period?

The Deputy Minister of Agriculture (Shri M. V. Krishnappa): (a) and (b). During the year 1960, sixteen warehouses have been set up in hired accommodation.

During the same period, the Corporation have paid Rs. 24.33 lakhs as advance to the C.P.W.D., which is the construction agency of the Corporation, for construction of warehouses at 12 centres with a total storage capacity of 62,900 tons at an estimated cost of Rs. 89.71 lakhs.

Wheat supplied to Andhra Pradesh and Madras State

2272. **Shri Pangarkar:** Will the Minister of Food and Agriculture be pleased to state the quantity of wheat supplied to Andhra Pradesh and Madras State during the year 1959-60 and 1960-61 so far?

The Deputy Minister of Agriculture (Shri M. V. Krishnappa): The quantities of wheat supplied to Andhra Pradesh and Madras State, inclusive of the supplies made to the roller flour mills in those States, during the two years are as follows:—

(In '000 metric tons)

	1959-60	1960-61*
	1-4-59	1-4-60
	to	to
	31-3-60	11-3-61
Andhra Pradesh	38.4	51.7
Madras	140.7	159.4

*Information pertaining to any period after 11th March, 1961 is not available yet

Buffer Stock of Foodgrains in Maharashtra

2273. **Shri Pangarkar:** Will the Minister of Food and Agriculture be pleased to state:

(a) whether any buffer stock of foodgrains has been built in Maharashtra during the year 1960-61 so far;

(b) if so, the quantity of foodgrains so stocked; and

(c) where they are located?

The Deputy Minister of Agriculture (Shri M. V. Krishnappa): (a) to (c). Buffer stocks of foodgrains are being built up and the foodgrains are being stored in numerous suitable centres throughout the country for use wherever they may be needed. The stocks of foodgrains with the Government of India, which on 31st March, 1960, amounted to 10.62 lakh metric tons, increased to 21.53 lakh metric tons on 5th March, 1961. Of this