

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT (SHRI SIDDHESHWAR PRASAD): (a) to (c). The instructions issued by this Ministry in 1968 to all the Public Sector Undertakings under the charge of this Ministry were to the effect that in making appointments of Secretaries in future special consideration should be given to candidates who are qualified Secretaries. The present Secretary of the NIDC was appointed in the year 1965 before the issue of the general instructions.

Amenities in Sweepers' Colony at Kharagpur Railway Town.

2174. SHRI SUBODH HANSDA : Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state :

(a) whether the Sweepers Colony in the Kharagpur Railway Town has been provided with all the necessary amenities;

(b) if not, whether Government have any plan to provide them with essential amenities like light, water and educational facilities in this Colony; and

(c) if so, the main features thereof ?

THE MINISTER OF RAILWAYS (SHRI HANUMANTHAIYA): (a) All the necessary amenities are available in the 5 Sweeper colonies at Kharagpur settlement excepting one colony near Durga Mandir, where electric lights in individual units have not yet been provided.

(b) In the Colony near Durga Mandir, where individual units do not have lights, 30% are being provided in the current year and balance will be programmed in future years according to availability of funds. Primary schools are located in all the settlements at Kharagpur. Near Durga Mandir Colony, Higher Secondary schools for girls as well as boys also exist.

(c) As in (b) above.

Vacancies of Safaiwalas in Foreign Traffic Account Office, Delhi (Western Railway)

2175. SHRI SAROJ MUKHERJEE : Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state :

(a) whether some vacancies of Safaiwalas exist in the Foreign Traffic Accounts Office of the Western Railway at Delhi; and

(b) if so, the steps taken by Government to fill up the vacancies ?

THE MINISTER OF RAILWAYS (SHRI HANUMANTHAIYA): (a) No.

(b) Does not arise.

Promotion of Clerks who passed Appendix II-A Examination

2176. SHRI SAROJ MUKHERJEE : Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state ;

(a) the total number of Clerks in the Accounts Department who have passed the Appendix II-A examination and are awaiting promotion on each Zonal Railway ; and

(b) the steps taken by Government for their promotion in the higher grades ?

THE MINISTER OF RAILWAYS (SHRI HANUMANTHAIYA):

(a) Central	139
Eastern	411
Northern	243
North Eastern	274
Northeast Frontier	16
Southern	429
South Eastern	296
South Central	145
Western	446