

(b) whether the workers have been paid wages accordingly and if not, the reasons therefor ?

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

(b) Does not arise.

Computers installed on Railways and Cost of stationery feeding them.

2746. SHRI FATEHSINGHRAO GAEA-KWAD :
RAJMATA KRISHNA KUMARI—
JODHPUR :

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state :

(a) the total number of computers installed on the Railways ;

(b) whether they are working to their full capacity and if not, the idle capacity thereof ;

(c) the total cost of the stationery fed into the computers during the last three years, year-wise together with the foreign exchange content thereof ; and

(d) the steps taken to substitute indigenous stationery in the computers ?

THE MINISTER OF RAILWAYS (SHRI HANUMANTHAIYA) : (a) There are 14 computers.

(b) Their utilisation is to their full prime shift capacity of 176 meter hours per calendar month except in Eastern and North-east Frontier Railways where, also, utilisation is catching up. On these two Railways the extent of idle capacity is as under :

| Railway installation. | Short utilisation below 176 hours. |
|---------------------------------|------------------------------------|
| Eastern Railway .. | 30.63 |
| Eastern Railway (Mughal Sarai) | 37.38 |
| North-east Frontier Railway. .. | 126.59 |

(c) Cost of Stationery.

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| 1968-69 .. | 10,46,676 |
| 1969-70 .. | 11,12,176 |
| 1970-71 .. | 18,00,968 |

Foreign exchange content.

Nil.

(d) Does not arise.

Establishing Office of Railway Service Commission for Orissa at Bhubaneswar.

2747. SHRI CHINTAMANI PANIGRAHI : Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state whether the Government are considering any proposal for establishing an office of the Railway Service Commission for Orissa at Bhubaneswar on the pattern of the office of Assistant Secretary, Service Commission established at Danapur for Bihar ?

THE MINISTER OF RAILWAYS (SHRI HANUMANTHAIYA) : Such a proposal is not under the consideration of Government.

Retrenchment of Staff and Increase in the Workload Khurda Road Division (South Eastern Railway)

2748. SHRI CHINTAMANI PANIGRAHI : Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state :

(a) whether Government are aware of the comparative increase in the workload in Plinth area, Pipeline, roads, Bridges (Nos) Track (Km), between 1966 and 1970 in the Civil Engineering Department of South Eastern Railway, Khurda Road Division, *vis a vis* increased in staff strength in this section; and

(b) the number of employees retrenched in face of increased workload :

THE MINISTER OF RAILWAYS (SHRI HANUMANTHAIYA) : (a) Yes.

(b) No regular staff have been retrenched. On the other hand increase in workload has been met by creation of additional posts.