

Electrification of Punjab Villages

3166. SHRI RAGHUNANDAN LAL BHATIA: Will the Minister of IRRIGATION AND POWER be pleased to state:

(a) the number of villages in Punjab which have been electrified and the number of villages which have yet to be electrified;

(b) the schemes for rural electrification to be executed in Punjab during 1972-73 and 1973-74; and

(c) in view of the current shortage of power in Punjab, how these schemes are proposed to be implemented?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF IRRIGATION AND POWER (SHRI B. N. KUREEL): (a) Out of a total of 11,947 villages in Punjab, 6497 villages have been electrified upto 30-9-72;

(b) The target for the year 1972-73 is to electrify 1,000 villages and energise 20,000 pump-sets. The targets for 1973-74 are yet to be finalised;

(c) The present shortage of power is only of a short term nature and is not likely to affect the progress of rural electrification. Additional power is also likely to be available on the completion of the projects under execution in the Northern Region.

Conference of Indian Railway's Signal and Telecommunication staff Association Held in May, 1972

3167. SHRI RAJDEO SINGH:

SHRI NARENDRA SINGH:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Fifth All-India Conference of the Indian Railway's Signal and Telecommunication Staff Association was held in Delhi in May, 1972 and some resolutions and charter of demands passed by the Central body of the Association have been formally received by the Railway Administration; and

(b) if so, the action taken thereon?

THE MINISTER OF RAILWAYS (SHRI T. A. PAI): (a) Yes Sir.

(b) Issues of this nature are raised from time to time by recognised labour organisations and are generally settled through discussions at the meetings of the Permanent Negotiating Machinery and the Joint Consultative Machinery.

Inspection of Outward and Inward Parcel Offices at Delhi Main Station

3168. SHRI MAHADEEPAK SINGH SHAKYA: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether some Inspectors of Station Accounts carried out inspections of Western and Central Railways Outward and Inward Parcel Offices at Delhi Main Station in the months of August and September, 1972 and detected serious irregularities in accounts; and

(b) if so, the action taken in the matter?

THE MINISTER OF RAILWAYS (SHRI T. A. PAI): (a) Inspection was carried out and no serious irregularities in accounts were detected.

(b) Does not arise.

विभागीय परीक्षाओं में हिन्दी का प्रयोग

3169 श्री चन्द्रिका प्रसाद : क्या रेल मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) रेलवे की विभागीय परीक्षाओं (लेखा विभाग सहित) में हिन्दी के प्रयोग की भी कब तक अनुमति दी जायेगी;

(ख) विभागीय परीक्षाओं से संबंधित रेलवे की विभिन्न संहिताएँ, नियमावलियाँ कब तक हिन्दी में उपलब्ध करा दी जायेंगी; और