

tial goods in damaged condition, out of which 693 claims were paid and damages were mostly due to wet.

Orissa P. & T. Circle

2067. { **Shri Ramachandra Ulaka:**
Shri Dhuleshwar Meena:

Will the Minister of Posts and Telegraphs be pleased to refer to the reply given to Unstarred Question No. 1094 on the 11th May, 1962 and state:

(a) whether Government have since considered the inclusion of Koraput, Rourkela and Jharsuguda areas under the Jurisdiction of Orissa Posts and Telegraphs Circle ; and

(b) if so, the details thereof?

The Deputy Minister in the Department of Posts and Telegraphs (Shri Bhagavati): (a) Yes.

(b) All tele-communication assets which fall within the jurisdiction of Orissa State but were maintained by P&T Circles have been transferred to the Orissa P&T Circle.

Flying Clubs

2068. { **Shri Ramachandra Ulaka:**
Shri Dhuleshwar Meena:

Will the Minister of Transport be pleased to state:

(a) the number of flying clubs operating at present in Orissa;

(b) the number of new flying clubs proposed to be established in Orissa during the Third Plan period; and

(c) the nature and extent of Central assistance being given to the existing flying clubs of the State in view of national emergency?

The Deputy Minister in the Ministry of Transport (Shri Mohiuddin):

(a) There is only one Flying Clubs in Orissa, which operates from Bhubaneswar.

(b) No such proposal is under consideration at present.

(c) Orissa Flying Club at Bhubaneswar is not engaged in the training of pilots for the Air Force, in connection with the present emergency; as such the question of giving it any assistance on this account does not arise.

Sale of Cheap Food Packets

2069. **Shri H. N. Mukerjee:** Will the Minister of Railways be pleased to state:

(a) whether the sale of cheap food packets, vegetarian as well as non-vegetarian, has been discontinued in Allahabad and other stations of Northern Railway; and

(b) if so, since when and the reasons therefor?

The Deputy Minister in the Ministry of Railways (Shri Shahnawas Khan): (a) and (b). The sale of cheap food packets referred to by the Member has been discontinued from some stations on the Northern Railway and from dates as indicated below:—

<i>Name of station</i>	<i>Date from which discontinued</i>
D lhi	December, 58.
Pathankot	10.10.1959
Luckn w	1.7.1960
Varanasi	1.7.1960
Moradabad	11.7.1960
Allahabad	11.9.1960
Tundla	4.11.1961.

There were poor sales and on certain days, there was no sale at all. The food packets did not gain popularity with the passengers in the North who have been found to prefer food being served hot.

Inspection of Railway Tracks

2070. **Shri H. N. Mukerjee:** Will the Minister of Railways be pleased to state:

(a) whether officers of the Railway Inspectorate are no longer charged