

- (iv) Inspectorial and Depot staff in scale Rs. 250—380(A); and
- (v) Office Clerks in scale Rs. 210—380(A).

Staff referred to in items (ii) to (v) are eligible only on completion of 3 years' service after reaching the stage of Rs. 335/-.

(b) No.

(c) Does not arise.

Tirunelveli-Kanyakumari-Trivandrum Railway Line

4948. Shri P. Muthiah: Will the Minister of Railways be pleased to refer to the reply given to Unstarred Question No. 1115 on the 25th February, 1966 and state:

(a) whether the survey reports on the Tirunelveli-Kanyakumari-Trivandrum Railway line have been submitted to the Railway Board;

(b) if so, whether the Railway Board have considered the reports and approved them; and

(c) whether the Railway Ministry propose to take the necessary steps to construct the first stage of the line, that is, from Tirunelveli to Kanyakumari in the Fourth Plan?

The Deputy Minister in the Ministry of Railways (Shri Sham Nath):

(a) Yes.

(b) The survey reports are under examination.

(c) A decision regarding the construction of this line will be taken only after a detailed examination of the survey reports. Inclusion of this line in the 4th Plan is dependent on the results of the survey, the extent of funds that will be earmarked for construction of new lines in the IV Plan and the relative priority that this line will merit among various such proposals.

Over-bridge at Itarsi Station

**4949. Shri Hari Vishnu Kamath:
Shri Vishwa Nath Pandey:**

Will the Minister of Railways be pleased to state:

(a) whether any progress has been made with regard to the construction of over-bridge at the two level crossings near Itarsi Railway Station on the Central Railway so as to obviate inconvenience and inordinate delays to the movement of the growing vehicular traffic there;

(b) the reasons why the implementation of the three year old proposal has not been even taken up; and

(c) when the over-bridge is likely to be commissioned?

The Deputy Minister in the Ministry of Railways (Shri Sham Nath):

(a) No.

(b) Construction of road over/under bridges at the existing level crossings is the joint responsibility of the Railway as well as the Road Authority.

The Government of Madhya Pradesh proposed construction of a road overbridge at the north end of Itarsi station, in place of the existing level crossing at mile 463/12-13 only during 1963-64. No proposal has been received either from the State Government or from the local Municipal Body for the construction of the over-bridge in lieu of second level crossing at Itarsi.

The question of locating the bridge, however, remained under the consideration of the State Government for a long period and it was only in February 1964 that final proposal and necessary technical data were received by the Railway. The Scheme has already been included in the Railway's Programme since 1965-66. The general layout plan for the Scheme sent to the State Government in April 1965 was accepted by them in

November 1965. The detailed estimate has also been finalised and sent to the State Government in February 1966 for acceptance of their share of cost. Despite issue of a reminder, State Government's acceptance is still pending.

(c) The Railway's portion of the work will be taken up on receipt of State Government's acceptance to the estimate and completed within about a year. The Road over-bridge will, however, be brought into commission only after the approaches are completed by the State Government at their cost.

Enquiry Office at Itarsi Station

4950. **Shri Hari Vishnu Kamath:** Will the Minister of Railways be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Itarsi (C. Rly.) though a big and important junction still lacks a separate Enquiry Office working day and night;

(b) if so, the reasons therefor; and

(c) when it is proposed to open a full-fledged Enquiry Office worthy of that junction there?

The Minister of State in the Ministry of Railways (Dr. Ram Subhag Singh): (a) to (c). An Enquiry Office is already functioning at Itarsi from 6.00 to 10.00 hrs. and from 18 hrs. to 22 hrs. The question of providing an Enquiry-cum-Reservation Office round the clock is under examination.

Flag station at Brahmpur Station

4951. **Shri Daljit Singh:**
Shri Sadhu Ram:

Will the Minister of Railways be pleased to refer to the reply given to Unstarred Question No. 2426 on the 18th March, 1966 regarding the flag Station at Brahmpur Station on the Rupar-Nangal Dam section and state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the Rupar-Nangal Dam Section is working at a profit and income of only one

Railway station of Nangal Dam is about Rs. 10 lakhs to 12 lakhs per month; and

(b) if so, why a demand is made from the Punjab Government for such a small amount keeping in view the interest of the general public?

The Deputy Minister in the Ministry of Railways (Shri Sham Nath):

(a) No. The Section Rupar to Nangal Dam as a whole is running at loss.

(b) The question of providing a station at Brahmpur is being reconsidered taking into account the latest developments in the area.

Cement Factories in Mysore State

4952. **Shri Linga Reddy:** Will the Minister of Industry be pleased to state:

(a) the number of cement factories working at present in Mysore State with their names, production capacity and the period from which they are working;

(b) the quantity of cement required by the Mysore State and the quantity of cement these factories are capable of producing and are actually producing;

(c) the names and number of places recommended by the State Government for sanction to locate the new cement plants in the State; and

(d) the action taken thereon?

The Minister of Industry (Shri D. Sanjivayya): (a) to (d). A statement is laid on the Table of the House. [Placed in Library. See No. LT-5952/66].

Manufacture of Wine in Bangalore

4953. **Shri Linga Reddy:** Will the Minister of Industry be pleased to refer to the reply given to Unstarred Question No. 4272 on the 22nd April, 1966 and state: