

by the different coke plants from time to time;

- (ii) to suggest fair and reasonable prices which the producers may charge;
- (iii) to ensure that priority consumers get adequate supply of By-product Hard Coke; and
- (iv) to consider any problems of distribution arising as a consequence of decontrol and reach satisfactory arrangements in regard to them.

Price of Surgical Catguts

887. **Shri Murlī Manohar:** Will the Minister of Commerce be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Tariff Commission held an enquiry into the price structure of the surgical catguts;

(b) if so, the result of the enquiry; and

(c) the total production of the catguts during the year 1965?

The Minister of Commerce (Shri Manubhai Shah): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) Tariff Commission's Report is still awaited.

(c) Total production of catguts during 1965 was 215,119 dozen tubes. This figure includes catguts-Plain, chromic and needled Sutures of various sizes and specifications.

विक्रय विभागांज से रोहतक तक रेलवे लाइन को बाँटना करना

889. श्री जगदीश चिन्मयी: क्या रेलवे मंत्री 10 सितम्बर, 1965 के प्रतारकित प्रश्न संख्या 1883 के उत्तर के संबंध में यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि इस बीच किसानगंज से रोहतक रेलवे लाइन को दोहरा करने के बारे में कितनी प्रगति हुई है ?

इसके संबंध में उपांत्री (श्री जगन्नाथ): दिल्ली किसानगंज और मकरबस्ती के

बीच दोहरी लाइन बिछाने का काम अनुमोदित हो चुका है और इसे 1966-67 के बजट में शामिल कर लिया गया है।

Groundnut Crop

890. **Shri Lahtan Chaudhry:**
Shri Rameshwar Tantia:
Shri Himatsingka:

Will the Minister of Industry be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the production of groundnut has declined considerably this year; and

(b) if so, the effect it will have on the oil industry?

The Minister of Industry (Shri D. Sanjivayya): (a) Yes, Sir. The production of groundnut during 1965-66 is expected to be lower by 20-25 per cent than that in 1964-65.

(b) It will reduce proportionately the availability of the Groundnut oil.

Banjara Community of Rajasthan

891. **Shri Shiv Charan Mathur:** Will the Minister of Social Welfare be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that "Banjara" community of Rajasthan is proposed to be included in the category of scheduled tribes;

(b) whether Government propose to bring a bill before Parliament to this effect; and

(c) if so, when and what interim administrative relief is proposed to be given for the uplift of this community?

The Deputy Minister in the Department of Social Welfare (Shrimati Chandrasekhar): (a) to (c). The

whole question of revision of lists of Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes is under consideration and a consolidated Bill will be introduced in Parliament after decisions are taken in all cases. No interim administrative relief to any community is contemplated at this stage.

Talaimannar-Dhanuskodi Ferry Service

892. Dr. P. Srinivasan:
Shri Paramasivan:

Will the Minister of Railways be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is any proposal to start Talaimannar-Dhanuskodi Ferry service for passengers; and

(b) if so, the date on which it is going to be started and the details thereof?

The Minister of State in the Ministry of Railways (Dr. Ram Subhag Singh): (a) and (b). There is no proposal to resume the ferry service between Dhanuskodi and Talaimannar by the Railways. The Union Ministry of Transport, which contemplates a ferry service in the area shortly, have not fixed any date for commencement of the proposed service.

बिदशों में भारतीय फर्मों द्वारा 'टर्न की जाब' के ठेकों का लिया जाना

893. श्री युटवीर सिंह :
श्री हुकम चन्द कछवाय :
श्री बड़े :

क्या वाणिज्य मंत्री 10 दिसम्बर, 1965 के तारांकित प्रश्न संख्या 787 के उत्तर के संबंध में यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि वर्ष 1965 में बिदशों में भारतीय फर्मों द्वारा लिये गये 'टर्न की जाब' के ठेकों का व्योरा क्या है ?

वाणिज्य मंत्री (श्री मनुभाई शाह) : 1965 में बिदशों में भारतीय फर्मों ने जो बड़ा 'टर्न की जाब' लिया है वह नाइजीरिया में पारेषण लाइनें लगाने का संबंध था।

Ticketless Travel

894. Shri Yashpal Singh:
Dr. Ram Maheshwar Lohia:
Shri Balmiki:
Shri Bagri:

Will the Minister of Railways be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the ticketless travel is on the increase especially among students on the trains touching Delhi Junction;

(b) the number of persons held travelling without tickets during the last one year;

(c) the fines recovered from them; and

(d) the special steps taken by Government to eradicate completely the evil of ticketless travel?

The Minister of State in the Ministry of Railways (Dr. Ram Subhag Singh): (a) Figures relating to Ticketless travel among students are not maintained separately. Taking Delhi Division as a whole, there has been no increase in ticketless travel.

(b) and (c). In Delhi Division 238804 passengers were detected travelling without tickets during 1965 and a sum of Rs. 11,302 was recovered as fine.

(d) Apart from normal ticket checking arrangements, special steps taken to eradicate ticketless travel include intensive surprise and cross-country checks with the assistance of Flying Squads; posting of Travelling Ticket Examiners in plain clothes; checks with the help of Special Railway Magistrates and volunteers of Social Service organisations; incognito checks by officers etc.

Sale of Obscene Literature at Railway Stations

895. Shri Himatsingka:
Shri Rameshwar Tantia:

Will the Minister of Railways be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that obscene literature and magazines are sold at Railway Stations; and