

Section of the Northeast Frontier Railway from 1-4-1966 to 15-10-66 is given below, monthwise:

Month	No. of derailments
April	5
May	6
June	2
July	3
August	—
September	5
October	3
(1-10-66 to 15-10-66)	
Total	24

(b) Of the 24 derailments, 9 were due to the failure of railway staff, 3 due to the failure of mechanical equipment and 3 were accidental. The causes of the remaining 9 cases have not yet been finalised.

Coal Price Revision Committee

614. **Shri Vasudevan Nair:**
Shri Warior:
Dr. Ranen Sen:

Will the Minister of Mines and Metals be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the Trade unions wanted to be associated with Coal Price Revision Committee in order to find the cost of production per ton;

(b) whether they were associated; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor?

The Minister of Mines and Metals (Shri S. K. Dey): (a) There is at present no Committee by the name 'Coal Price Revision Committee. Government have, however, appointed a Study Group to review the price of coal and coke. Ample opportunity has been given to the representatives of labour to state their point of view before the Study Group.

(b) and (c). Do not arise.

North-East Frontier Railway Zonal Users' Consultative Committee

615. **Shri P. C. Borooah:** Will the Minister of Railways be pleased to state:

(a) whether a meeting of the North-East Frontier Railway Zonal Users' Consultative Committee was held at Malingaon some time back;

(b) if so, the subjects discussed, decisions taken and observations made at the meeting; and

(c) Government's reaction thereto?

The Minister of State in the Ministry of Railways (Dr. Ram Subhag Singh): (a) Yes.

(b) and (c). The information is under collection and will be laid on the table of the Saba.

Transfer of Class III and IV staff of Northern Railway

616. **Shri Vishram Prasad:**
Shri Dhuleshwar Meena:
Shri Daljit Singh:
Shri C. M. Kedaria:
Shri Ramapathi Rao:

Will the Minister of Railways be pleased to state:

(a) the number of Class III and IV ministerial staff of the Northern Railway transferred to the Head Quarters Office, Delhi on administrative grounds after 1952;

(b) the number out of them who have since been allotted Railway quarters on demand;

(c) the number of those who have not so far been allotted quarters despite a demand; and

(d) the steps taken to provide such staff with quarters at an early date?

The Minister of State in the Ministry of Railways (Dr. Ram Subhag Singh): (a) to (d). Information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the Sabha.