175 Written Answers

3799. SHRI SHIVA CHANDRA JHA: Will the Minister of LAW AND SOCIAL WELFARE be pleased to state :

(a) whether immoral activities have increased in Delhi in 1970 tis-a-tis 1969 and 1968;

(b) the total cases of immoral activities brought to Government's notice in 1970 vis*a-vis* 1969 and 1968; and

(c) the specific reasons therefor and the action taken by Government in 1970 to stop them and the result thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF LAW AND IN THE DE-PARTMENT OF SOCIAL WELFARE (SHRI JAGANATH RAO): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b)	Upto	Upto	Upio
	15. 11. 1970	15. 11. 69	15. 11. 68.
	404	362	277

(c) A radical change in social norms and views about morals and increased population and highly individualistic pattern of living in urban areas can be responsible for this increase. However, when any such complaint or information is received prompt action under law is taken. All Sub-Divisional Police Officers have been vested with the powers under the S. I. T. Act and declared as special Police Officers, who maintain vigilance in their respective areas specially at the ill reputed places.

Lighting Arrangements in Trains running between Darbhanga and Nirmali (North Eastern Railway)

3800. SHRI SHIVA CHANDRA JHA : Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that the trains running between Darbhanga and Nirmali (North Eastern Railway) are still not having lights at night:

(b) if so, the reasons therefor; and

(c) the steps taken so far about it and with what sucess ?

THE MINISTER OF RAILWAYS (SHRI NANDA): (a) to (c). Normally, all trains including those running between Darbhanga and Nirmali are provided with adequate lights. Most of the trains, running between Darbhanga and Nirmali in the night are provided with 110 volt end-on-generation system of train lighting. These are working satisfactorily. On the rakes having 24 volt conventional system, there was some setback due to non-availability of train lighting belting. Supply position of this item has now improved and lighting is again satisfactory. The position is being watched closely.

New Channels of Promotion for Train Clerks and Yard Masters

3801. SHRI D. N. PATODIA : Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state :

(a) the categories of Railway employees entitled to channels of promotion in the categories other than their own:

(b) whether the categories of Train Clerks and Yard Masters are entitled to the channels of promotion in the categories other than their own, and if not, the reasons therefor; and

(c) what are criteria for fixing the channels of promotion ?

THE MINISTER OF RAILWAYS (SHRI NANDA): (a) and (c). Channels of promotion of non-gazetted staff on the Railways are laid down by the Railway Administrations themselves according to administrative requirements and local conditions. Therefore, actual practice in regard to channel of promotion in various categories differs from Railway to Railways.

(b) Apart from promotion to higher grade posts in their own cadre. Trains Clerks are considered for promotion to posts of Guards Grade 'C', Assistant Yard Masters, Assistant Wagon Movement Inspectors etc. Similarly. Yard Masters are given avenue of promotion to higher grade posts in the Transportation