and the number of Stations on which it is given in respect of broad gauge, metre gauge and narrow gauge lines, separately?

The Deputy Minister in the Ministry of Railways (Shri S. V. Ramaswamy): In terms of Railway Board's instructions, the weightage for night duty is admissible to Station Masters and Assistant Station Masters working between 10 p.m. and 6 a.m. at Stations on the various sections of Railways where the density of traffic for a day (24 hours) is not less than what is indicated in the yard-stick given below:

- B. G. Double Line Sections:—dealing with a minimum of 20 trains each way based on the current Passenger Time-table and the goods train power plan|capacity.
- B. G. Single Line Sections:—dealing with a minimum of 10 trains each way based on the current Passenger Time-table and the goods train power plan|capacity.
- M. G. Double Line Sections:—dealing with a minimum of 16 trains each way based on the current Passenger Time-table and the goods train power plan|capacity.
- M. G. Single Line Sections:—dealing with a minimum of 8 trains each way based on the current Passenger Time-table and the goods train power plan|capacity.

Note.—A review should be undertaken every time there is a change in the Passenger Time-table and/or power plan/capacity in order to assess whether any changes are necessitated based on this yard-stick.

2. The number of Stations at which the Station Masters and Assistant Station Masters are in receipt of night duty allowance are given below:

		Number of Stations		
Railways		Broad Gauge	Metre Gauge	Narrow Gauge
Central .		480	11	
Northern .		436	71	19
Eastern .		333		
North Eastern			183	
Northeast				
Frontier	٠	• •	169	
Southern.		335	445	
South Eastern		286		14
Western .	•	220	262	
		2090	1141	33

12.00 hrs.

CALLING ATTENTION TO A
MATTER OF URGENT PUBLIC
IMPORTANCE

Lock-out in Lilluah workshop of Eastern Railway

Shri P. Venkatasubbaiah (Adoni): I call the attention of the Minister of Railways to the following matter of urgent public importance and I request that he may make a statement thereon:

The lock-out in Lilluah workshop of Eastern Pailway and nonpayment of wages to the workmen.

The Minister of Railways (Shri Dasappa): The statement runs to about 5 pages. I would be glad to read it if you so direct.

Mr. Deputy Speaker: It can be laid on the Table of the House.

Shri Dasappa: I am prepared to lay it on the Table of the House. [Placed in Library. See No. 2060|63].

Mr. Deputy-Speaker: If there are any questions to be put, I will allow them today at 5 O'clock.

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श्री राम सेवक यादव (बाराबंकी): उपाध्यक्ष महोदय, राजस्थान में जो झकाल की स्थिति है उस पर ध्यान झाकर्षण प्रस्ताव किया गया था . . .

Mr. Deputy-Speaker: It has been referred to the Ministry.

12.01 hrs.

MOTION RE: REPORT ON MID-TERM APPRAISAL OF THIRD FIVE YEAR PLAN—contd.

Mr. Deputy-Speaker: Further consideration of the following motion moved by Shri B. R. Bhagat on the 5th December, 1963, namely:—

"That the 'Report on the Midterm Appraisal of the Third Five Year Plan', laid on the Table of the House on the 26th November, 1963, be taken into consideration."

Shri A. P. Jain.

Shri A. P. Jain (Tumkur): Mr. Deputy-Speaker, Sir, I welcome the attempt of the Government to place before this House the mid-term Appraisal of the Third Five Year Plan. The discussion that has taken place in the House, the headlines which it has attracted in the press and the interest which has been evoked in the public is by itself an indication of the fact that the public at large is very much interested in the Plan.

Generally speaking, in all the discussion that has taken place, the need for planning has been accepted—the of planned development system accepted. Of has been course, there have been objections about the shortfalls. There is only one Party and that is the Swatantra which has objected to the process of Planning. I was present in the House when an hon. Member, Mr. Tiwary said that the Plan was a national Plan and the two leading Members of the Swatantra Party, Mr. Ranga and Mr. Masani objected to it. The voting at the last General Elections will itself show whether it is a national planning or it is only a whimsical psychology of a Party which has secured only a minority of votes. Of all the organised Parties, four Parties which secured about 70 per cent of the votes are for planning and it is only one Party, the Swatantra Party which secured less than 8 per cent of the votes, that is opposed to planning.

Shri Ranga: They were the only single largest Party in the Opposition.

Mr. Deputy-Speaker: There is too much of noise in the House.

Shri Shivaji Rao S. Deshmukh: Even the 8 per cent of votes are not against planning.

Mr. Deputy-Speaker: The Members who want to carry on the conversation may kindly go to the Lobby.

Shri A. P. Jain: Of the remaining 22 per cent of the votes of which we do not have any record, I believe that an overwhelming majority of those voters were also in favour of planning. Then, if this Plan is not a national Plan, what other Plan can be called a national Plan? We have been doing our economic ment on the basis, of planning during the last 15 years and all over the country it has a wide support. Therefore, to say that this is not a national Plan is something very strange. My friend Mr. Masani draws his inspiration, his philosophy, from the Western countries and I want to make a presentation to him of some of the remarks made by one of the leading economists of the United States of America. Perhaps, that will appeal to him. I refer to the remarks of W.W. Rostow in his book The Stages of Economic Growth. In this book, at about 15 or 20 places, Mr. Rostow has supported the concept of planning for India and for other underdeveloped countries. I will not take the time of the House by reading out different portions of it. But I