

**STATEMENT**

After issue of orders vide Railway Board's letter No. E (SCT) 68CM15/10 dated 27-8-68, selections in respect of Run-

ing staff categories have been held on all Zonal Railways except on the Western Railway. Detailed information is given below :—

<i>No. of Scheduled Castes/Tribes selected for promotion</i>		
<i>Railways.</i>	<i>Number</i>	<i>Post</i>
Central	One Scheduled Caste	Guard Grade 'A'
Eastern	Two Scheduled Castes Twelve Scheduled Castes	Driver Grade 'A' Driver Grade 'B'
Northern	One Scheduled Caste Seven Scheduled Castes	Guard Grade 'A' Driver Grade 'B'
North Eastern	One Scheduled Caste Eleven Schedule Castes	Driver Grade 'A' Driver Grade 'B'
Northeast-Frontier	Two Scheduled Castes and One Scheduled Tribe	Guard Grade 'A'
Southern	Six Scheduled Castes Five Scheduled Castes	Driver Grade 'A' Driver Grade 'B'
South Central	One Scheduled Tribe	Guard Grade 'A'
South Eastern.	Three Scheduled Castes One Scheduled Tribe	Driver Grade 'A' Driver Grade 'A'

On the Western Railway, no selection for posts in running staff categories have been held so far after 27-8-68.

**Schemes for Uplift of Harijans in Delhi**

- \*349. SHRI KARTIK ORAON :  
SHRI RAM SWARUP  
VIDYARTHI :  
SHRI J. SUNDER LAL :

Will the Minister of LAW AND SOCIAL WELFARE be pleased to state :

(a) the nature of schemes sent by the Delhi Administration for Harijan uplift during the last two years ; and

(b) the number out of those approved by Government and the reasons for rejection of the others ?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF LAW AND IN THE DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL WELFARE (SHRI MUTHYAL RAO) : (a) The schemes proposed by the Delhi Administration for the Welfare of Harijans during 1967-68 and

1968-69 cover facilities for educational, economic and social development.

(b) Out of 16 schemes, 10 were approved. The other schemes have not been approved either because of resource limitations or the availability of similar facilities in the general development programmes.

**Railway Line from Nangal to Una**

\*350. SHRI PREM CHAND VFRMA :  
Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state :

(a) whether Government are aware that in Himachal Pradesh, in an area covering 4,001 Sq. miles consisting of Bilaspur District, Una and Hamirpur Divisions, there is nither a Railway station nor a mile of Railway line ;

(b) whether Government are also aware that because of non-existence of Railway

line, the food could not be transported to these areas last year resulting in extreme hardship to the people ; and

(c) whether Government propose to construct a nine-mile line from Nangal to Una during the Fourth Five Year Plan ?

THE MINISTER OF RAILWAYS (DR. RAM SUBHAG SINGH) : (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The Railways are not aware of any handicap in the movement of food-grains in the interior of Himachal Pradesh due to lack of rail facilities.

(c) With the present difficult ways and means position and the paramount need for achieving maximum economy in expenditure, it is very unlikely that this rail link could be considered for construction in the near future.

#### Improvement of Delhi and New Delhi Railway Stations

\*351. SHRI M. L. SONDHY : Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state :

(a) whether any schemes are under consideration to further improve the Delhi and New Delhi Railway stations ;

(b) whether Government are aware of the improvements which have been achieved in Railway stations of almost all the capital cities of the world ;

(c) whether in comparison, Delhi and New Delhi Railway stations are lagging behind ; and

(d) whether modernisation of Delhi and New Delhi Railway stations will get priority and, if so, when the work is likely to be taken up ?

THE MINISTER OF RAILWAYS (DR. RAM SUBHAG SINGH) : (a) No, Sir. Adequate amenities and facilities already exist both at Delhi and New Delhi stations to meet the requirements of passenger traffic dealt with at these stations at present.

(b) and (c). Any comparison of the Railway stations in the capital cities of the world with the Railway stations at Delhi and New Delhi is not possible as the requirements of passenger traffic, the climatic conditions, the number of train services etc.

vary vastly. In planning any modernisation of stations in India, the Railways have to take into consideration the traffic requirements, habits of rail users and available resources.

(d) Does not arise in view of reply to (a), (b) and (c) above.

#### कागज का आयात

- \*352. श्री जननानाथ राव जोशी :  
श्री रणजीत सिंह :  
श्री ब्रज भूषण लाल :  
श्री भटल बिहारी बाजपेयी :  
श्री भद्राकर सुपकार :

क्या औद्योगिक विकास, आन्तरिक व्यापार तथा समवाय-कार्य मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) देश में विभिन्न प्रकार के कागज की कुल खपत कितनी है ;

(ख) विभिन्न किस्मों के कागज का कितनी-कितनी मात्रा में विदेशों से आयात किया जाता है ;

(ग) कागज का आयात अब तक कितना और किस प्रकार घटाया गया है ; और

(घ) कब तक और किस योजना के द्वारा कागज के आयात को बन्द कर दिये जाने की संभावना है ?

औद्योगिक विकास, आन्तरिक व्यापार तथा समवाय कार्य मंत्री (श्री फल्लूहोत्र शर्मा ग्रहम्ब) : (क) से (घ). जानकारी इकट्ठी की जा रही है और वह समा-पटल पर रख दी जाएगी ।

#### Bye-elections in Jammu and Kashmir

\*353. SHRI SHRI CHAND GOYAL : Will the Minister of LAW AND SOCIAL WELFARE be pleased to state :

(a) whether Government/Election commission have received complaints regarding