

last year in each of the three categories Zone-wise?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS AND IN THE DEPARTMENT OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS (SHRI MALLIKARJUN): (a) Yes.

(b) and (c) Statistics of demurrage charges waived are not maintained commodity-wise in respect of these parties.

#### **Bolt rakes earmarked for Steel Plants**

258. SHRI KALRAJ MISHRA: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether specific number of box rakes are earmarked for Steel Plants for specific quantity of bulk movement^ if so, whether it has resulted in better utilisation of wagons and also better goods traffic and better earnings;

(b) whether there is any proposal under Governments consideration to extend this scheme for carriage of coal, cement, fertilisers and foodgrains, if so, what are the details thereof; and

(c) if not, what are the reasons therefor?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS AND IN THE DEPARTMENT OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS (SHRI MALLIKARJUN): (a) No.

(b) Does not arise.

(c) If specific rakes are allotted for particular traffic, it will lead to empty haulage in one direction. Hence as far as possible return load is obtained for wagons. Thus wagons going to South loaded with foodgrains being fertiliser from Madras for North States.

#### **Seniority list of top officers of Railways**

259. SHRI JAGANNATHRAO JOSHI:

SHRI SHRIDHAR WASUDEO DHABE: —

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the seniority list of top officers of the Railways has not so far been issued;

(b) if so, what are the reasons therefor; and

(c) what steps are being taken to prepare, the list early?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS AND IN THE DEPARTMENT OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS (SHRI MALLIKARJUN): (a) to (c) The service-wise Seniority List of group 'A' officers in Senior Administrative Grade (Level-I) of various Railway Services were last issued in 1979. Further seniority lists will be issued in due course.

#### **Manning of level crossings**

260. SHRI ABDUL REHMAN SHEIKH: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state;

(a) how many accidents took place at the un-manned level crossings during the last five years (year-wise) and the number of people killed/injured in these accidents;

(b) how many un-manned level crossings existed at the end of 1979 and what is the number of the unmanned level crossings that were manned from the beginning of 1970 till date; and

(c) whether Government have drawn any short-term, long-term programme to man the potentially hazardous to safety level crossings, if so, by what time the programme is likely to be implemented and how many unmanned level crossings are likely to be manned as a result thereof?