

(iii) Two extra counters have been opened at Delhi station and 3 at New Delhi station.

(iv) The staff strength in Booking and Reservation offices at Delhi and New Delhi has been augmented by posting additional hands.

(v) Regular and surprise checks are being conducted with a view to tightening up of supervision on booking and reservation offices to ensure proper system of reservation and issue of tickets.

POWER CONSUMPTION ON DECORATIVE LIGHTS AND FOUNTAINS

721. SHRI SITARAM JAIPURIA : Will the Minister of IRRIGATION AND POWER/सिंचाई और विद्युत मंत्री be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that the restrictions of the consumption of power in the capital are proposed to be imposed in view of the shortage of power supply from the Bhakra system ;

(b) if so the details thereof ;

(c) whether it is proposed to put a total ban on power use for decorative lights and fountains ; and

(d) what is the total power consumption per day in Delhi on the lights and fountains alone ?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF IRRIGATION AND POWER/सिंचाई और विद्युत मंत्रालय में उपमंत्री BAI NATH KUREEL : (a) In the third week of May 1971, the power supply position at Bhakra was causing anxiety in view of the very poor river inflows and the rapid fall in the reservoir level. It was thought that if the situation worsened, it might become necessary to impose restrictions in Delhi area, so that relief might be rendered to the other States dependent on Bhakra Power System. Accordingly, a scheme for load shedding in Delhi area was prepared and kept ready for implementation in consultation with the Government. Since the power supply position in Bhakra has improved, the proposal has been deferred and the situation is being watched.

(b) and (c) Load shedding to the extent of 30 to 50 MW was contemplated. The measures included :

(i) Shifting of shop hours.

(ii) Ban on the use of decorative lights and illumination of fountains.

(iii) Regulating cinema shows.

(iv) Staggering of industrial loads.

(d) In the N. D. M. C. area, the total consumption is 5500 units per day for both in Delhi Electric Supply Undertaking area 2000-2250 units per day for fountains. No separate record of consumption on decorative lights is available.

अंग्रेजी माध्यम के प्राइमरी स्कूलों में शिक्षा शुल्क की छूट

722. डा० भाई महावीर :

चौधरी ए० मोहम्मद :

क्या रेल मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या यह सच है कि पश्चिम रेलवे के अंग्रेजी माध्यम के प्राइमरी स्कूलों में एंग्लो इंडियन और ईसाई जातियों के बच्चों का शिक्षा शुल्क माफ रखा जाता है जब कि अनुसूचित जातियों तथा अनुसूचित जनजातियों और अन्य जातियों के विद्यार्थियों को बिना किसी रियायत के पूरा शिक्षा शुल्क देना पड़ता है ;

(ख) यदि हाँ, तो इसके क्या कारण हैं ; और

(ग) क्या सरकार इस भेद भाव पूर्ण नीति को समाप्त करने के लिये तुरन्त आदेश देने का विचार रखती है ?

†[EXEMPTION FROM TUITION FEES IN ENGLISH-MEDIUM PRIMARY SCHOOLS]

722. DR. BHAI MAHAVIR : CHODHARY A. MUHAMMAD :

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS/रेल मंत्री be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that the children belonging to the Anglo-Indian and

†[] English translation.