

the period spent on deputation, rendered by them on the drte of their absorption in the borrowing departments; and

(d) the number of non-gazetted Railway personnel of various zonal Railways on deputation to other departments who had put in more than 15 years Railway service and were given such benefit ?

THE MINISTER OF RAILWAYS (SHRI C. M. POONACHA) : (a) to (d) Information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the Sabha.

TRAFFIC HOLD-UP AT RAILWAY CROSSING NEAR GHOGRAPAR STATION

♦563. SHRI SRIMAN PRAFULLA GOSWAMI : Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state :

(a) whether Government's attention has been drawn to long and inteimittent traffic hold-up at the Railway crossing on National Highway No. 31 near Gho-grapar Station on N. F. Railway in the district of Kamrup, due to frequent closuie of gates ; and

(b) if so, the reasons for not shifting the crossing ?

THE MINISTER OF RAILWAYS (SHRI C. M. POONACHA) : (a) Yes, Madam.

(b) The proposal for shifting the level crossing was made to the State Government who have intimated that as it has already been proposed to divert National Highway No. 31 beyond the outer signal of Ghograpar station and to provide a road over-bridge, shifting of the level crossing would not be necessary.

PERIODICALS PUBLISHED BY MINISTRY OF STEEL, MINES AND METALS

1135. SHRI ABID ALI : Will the Minister of STEEL, MINES AND METALS be pleased to lay on the Table of the House a statement giving the following information with regard to the periodicals published by his Ministry and its attached and subordinate offices;

(a) (i) name of the periodical, indicating whether it is published weekly or monthly;

(ii) number of copies printed of each; (iii) number of copies normally sold; (iv) number of copies given gratis; and

(b) the expenditure, direct 01 indirect incurred thereon and the income derived, therefrom during the last one year ?

THE MINISTER OF STEEL, MINES AND METALS (DR. M. CHANNA REDDY) : The information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the House.

TRAINS DETAINED BY STUDENTS ON SOUTHERN RAILWAY

1136. SHRI T. V. ANANDAN : Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that on the 19th October, 1967, all trains bound for Howrah, Delhi and Hyderabad were detained for hours at PONNERI a Suburban railway Station on the Southern Railway due to students' demonstration; and

(b) if so, what are the details in this regard ?

THE MINISTER OF RAILWAYS (SHRI C. M. POONACHA) : (a) and (b) Yes. On 19-10-1967 about 300 students of Loganatha Narayanaswami Government College., Ponneri squatted on the track demanding stoppage of 38 Dn. Madras-Howrah Express train. As a result of this Nos. 38 Dn. Madras-Howrah Express and 89 Up Howrah-Madras Express were detained at Ponneri for about 6 houis and 5 hours respectively, four other up trains were control lid at Madras Central,, one down train at Suliurupeta and one at Gudur.

उत्तर रेलवे के संक्षेपों पर अवांछनीय तत्वों की गतिविधियां

1137. श्री श्रीकृष्ण दत्त पालीवाल : क्या रेल मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या सरकार को मध्य रेलवे के झांसी डिवीजन की रेलवे उपभोक्ता परामर्श-दात्री समिति की यह शिकायत मिली है कि उत्तर रेलवे के बांदा-कानपुर तथा कानपुर-कालपी क्षेत्र में अवांछनीय तत्वों का बोलबाला है और रेलवे पुलिस शांति और व्यवस्था कायम करने में असमर्थ है; और