

PROMOTION-POLICY FOR ASMS IN IZAT NAGAR DISTRICT OF N.E. RAILWAY

160. SHRI D. THENGARI : Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state :

(a) whether the promotion-policy for Assistant Station Masters in Izatnagar District of the North Eastern Railway is different from that followed in other Districts and Zones ; and

(b) if so, the reasons therefor ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (DR. RAM SUBHAG SINGH) : (a) and (b) Information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the Sabha.

CHANGE OF DEPARTURE TIME OF ALIGARH-DELHI TRAIN FROM DELHI

161. SHRI P. K. KUMARAN : Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state :

(a) what were the reasons for changing the departure time of 2 AJD Aligarh-Delhi train from Delhi from the 1st July, 1965 ;

(b) whether it is a fact that Government have received many representations against this change of timing ; and

(c) if so, what steps Government propose to take in the matter ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (DR. RAM SUBHAG SINGH) : (a) The departure time of 2 AJD Delhi-Aligarh passenger train was put forward so as to bring the corresponding Aligarh-Delhi train No. 1 AJD earlier into Delhi to suit the convenience of milk vendors using these trains.

(b) and (c) Representations were received against the putting forward to AJD Delhi-Aligarh passenger train. Any later departure of this train, however, was not found operationally feasible.

EXPANSION OF DURGAPUR STEEL PLANT

162. SHRI ARJUN ARORA : Will the Minister of IRON AND STEEL be pleased to state :

(a) whether any arrangement for expansion of the Durgapur Steel Plant during

the Fourth Five Year Plan has been made ; and

(b) if so, the details thereof ?

THE MINISTER OF IRON AND STEEL (SHRI T. N. SINGH) : (a) and (b) Durgapur Steel Plant presently is being expanded to 1.6 million tonnes capacity and during the Fourth Plan period it will be further expanded to a capacity of 3.4 million tonnes. The U.K. Government have agreed in principle, subject to agreement on detailed terms and conditions to be settled later, to a loan of £ 60 million to finance the foreign exchange cost of the expansion. A Project Report for the expansion has been prepared by the Central Engineering and Design Bureau of Hindustan Steel Limited. It is expected that further details of how the Fourth Plan expansion programme will be executed will be settled shortly.

पूर्वोत्तर रेलवे पर मजदूर संगठनों की मान्यता

163. श्री राज नारायण : क्या रेल मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि पूर्वोत्तर रेलवे पर सरकार द्वारा कौन-कौन से मजदूर संगठनों को किस-किस आधार पर मान्यता दी गई है ?

†[RECOGNITION OF LABOUR UNIONS ON NORTH-EASTERN RAILWAY

163. SHRI RAJ NARAIN : Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state the names of the labour unions on the North-Eastern Railway which have been recognised by Government and the grounds for their recognition ?

रेल मंत्रालय में राज्य मंत्री (डा० राम सुभग सिंह) : पूर्वोत्तर रेलवे पर मान्यता प्राप्त दो मजदूर संगठन हैं, जिनके नाम हैं :—

- (1) नार्थ-ईस्टर्न रेलवे मजदूर यूनियन ।
- (2) नार्थ-ईस्टर्न रेलवे एम्प्लाइज यूनियन (पूर्वोत्तर रेलवे कर्मचारी संघ) ।

क्षेत्रीय रेलों पर जनरल मैनेजर जिन मोटे सिद्धान्तों के अन्तर्गत मजदूर संगठनों की मान्यता प्रदान करते हैं, उनका स्पष्टीकरण 10-9-64 के अतारंकित प्रश्न संख्या 230 के उत्तर में किया जा चुका है ।

†[THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (DR. RAM SUBHAG SINGH): There are two recognised Unions on the North-Eastern Railway and their names are :

- (i) The North-Eastern Railway Mazdoor Union.
- (ii) The North-Eastern Railway Employees' Union (Purvottar Railway Karmachari Sangh)

The broad principles subject to which the General Managers give recognition to Unions on zonal Railways have been clarified in reply to Unstarred Question No. 230 replied on 10-9-64.]

FIRE IN A PASSENGER COACH OF KASHI EXPRESS

164. { SHRI T. V. ANANDAN
SHRI RAM SAHAI :

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that on or about 24th April, 1966, a passenger coach of the Bombay bound Kashi Express caught fire on the Allahabad-Varanasi section of the Northern Railway; and

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

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI SHAM NATH) : (a) and (b) On 25-4-66 while train No. 47 Up Varanasi-Bombay Express was running through Ugrasempur station on the Janghai-Allahabad section of Northern Railway, the engine crew while looking back noticed some passengers jumping out from the train and gesticulating for the train to stop. The train was immediately brought to a halt and it was found that a third class coach was on fire. As a result of the accident two persons were killed on the spot and three succumbed to their injuries later. Ten persons received grievous injuries including the three who died subsequently, and twenty seven persons received simple injuries.

†[] English translation.

ROBBERING OF PASSENGERS IN RUNNING TRAIN ON N. E. RAILWAY

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

(a) whether it is a fact that passengers were robbed of their ornaments, currency notes etc., by miscreants in a running train between Pasraha and Narayanpur on the Barauni-Katihar section of the North-Eastern Railway on the night of 24th April, 1966 ;

(b) whether the alarm chain provided was not in working order ; and

(c) if so, the action taken in the matter ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (DR. RAM SUBHAG SINGH) : (a) No. But the correct position is that on 24-4-66 a complaint was lodged with the Government Railway Police Station Thanabihpur by a passenger travelling by the train (36 Down passenger) that a stranger ran away from running train with his suit-case containing some clothing and educational certificates.

(b) Alarm chain of the train was not blanked off and was operative.

(c) The case is under investigation by the police.

RESTRICTION ON REGISTRATION OF CARS

166. SHRIMATI TARA RAM-CHANDRA SATHE : Will the Minister of INDUSTRY be pleased to state :

(a) whether Government are considering to impose further restrictions on the registration for purchase of cars manufactured in India ; and

(b) if so, what are those restrictions ?

THE MINISTER OF INDUSTRY (SHRI D. SANJIVAYYA) : (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

DIESEL ENGINE TRAINS ON METRE GAUGE RAILWAYS

167. SHRI K. S. CHAVDA : Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state the reasons for not introducing diesel engine trains on the metre gauge Railways, especially between Delhi and Ahmedabad ?