

†THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (DR. RAM SUBHAG SINGH): (a) Yes Sir, but the incident is of 23rd April, 1966.

(b) The cause of the accident is under investigation by a Committee of Senior Scale Officers.

(c) An Assistant Cook travelling in the Dining Car sustained minor injury. The total loss to Railway property has been estimated at Rs. 74,257.

**PURCHASE OF BALES OF B TWILLS  
(JUTE GOODS)**

\*218. SHRI R. P. KHETAN: Will the Minister of SUPPLY, TECHNICAL DEVELOPMENT AND MATERIALS PLANNING be pleased to state:

(a) the number of bales of B Twills 44" × 26½" (Jute goods) that were purchased by Government during January, February and March, 1966;

(b) the difference between the free alongside ship quotation and free on board price, free on rail price and free delivery price at Calcutta godown at which the above purchases were made;

(c) the difference between the free alongside ship quotation and the free on board price at which Indian exports of the B Twills of same quality were made to foreign buyers; and

(d) what are the reasons for the difference in conditions of purchase?

THE MINISTER OF SUPPLY, TECHNICAL DEVELOPMENT AND MATERIALS PLANNING (SHRI K. RAGHU RAMAIAH: (a) The number of bales of 'B' Twills 44" × 26½" purchased were as follows :—

January, 1966	. . .	1,12,900 bales
February, 1966	. . .	20,700 bales
March, 1966	. . .	1,15,150 bales

(b) The difference between the free alongside ship quotation and free on board prices was as follows:—

		Rs.
January, 1966	. . .	6 83 max. to 3 47 min.
February, 1966	. . .	5·83 max. to 4·33 min.
March, 1966	. . .	8·83 max. to 4 58 min.

The difference between free alongside

ship and free on rail quotations was as follows .—

		Rs.
January, 1966	. . .	3·37
February, 1966	. . .	6·62 max. to 3·67 min.
March, 1966	. . .	9·08 max. to 4·75 min.

The difference between free alongside ship quotation and free delivery at Calcutta was as follows:

		Rs.
January, 1966	. . .	5·75 max. to 1 88 min.
February, 1966	. . .	4·00 max. to 3·25 min.
March, 1966	. . .	8·85 max. to 4·17 min.

(c) F.O.B. prices of export contracts ranged as under —

		Rs.
January, 1966	. . .	185·25 to 191·00
February, 1966	. . .	188·00 to 202·08
March, 1966	. . .	195·50 to 202·33

The corresponding F.A.S. quotations are not readily available.

(d) These were no differences in the conditions of purchase during this period.

\*219. [Withdrawn].

**†APPOINTMENTS IN TECHNICAL  
POSTS**

\*164. SHRI A. D. MANI: Will the Minister of INDUSTRY be pleased state:

(a) whether any decision has been taken by Government regarding appointments to senior technical posts in the major public undertakings; and

(b) whether it is a fact that such appointments are going to be made on an All-India basis and not on regional considerations?

THE MINISTER OF INDUSTRY (SHRI D. SANJIVAYYA): (a) and (b) According to the principles of recruitment laid down in April, 1961, appointments to

† Transferred from 11th May, 1966.

†[ ] English translation.