

scale of pay has been done in accordance with the instruction of the Railway Board;

(b) if so, how many employees were benefited and from which date they get arrears of pay; and

(c) if not, what are the reasons for the delay?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (DR. RAM SUBHAG SINGH) : (a) to (c) Out of the 50 employees who were benefited by the Board's orders, pay fixation of 41 has been completed and arrears paid to them with effect from 19th August, 1965, the date of issue of the Board's orders. The pay-fixation of the remaining 9 employees is under progress.

RAILWAY STATIONS WITHOUT BOOKING OFFICES

*671. RAJA SHANKAR PRATAP SINGH : Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that new Railway stations at Karpagaon, Kathotiya and Ghat Pindairy on Jabalpur-Itarsi section, are functioning without booking facilities; and

(b) if so, when booking offices on these stations are expected to be opened?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI SHAM NATH) : (a) Yes Sir, Karpagaon, Kathotia and Ghat Pindrai are crossing stations opened for operational purposes.

(b) It has been decided to provide passenger booking facilities at these stations and it is expected that the stations would be opened for passenger traffic by November, 1966.

LEVY OF ADDITIONAL DUTY OF INDIAN GOODS BY NEPAL

*672. SHRI SITARAM JAIPURIA : Will the Minister of COMMERCE be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that Government of Nepal have levied additional

duties on Indian goods recently; and

(b) if so, the extent to which our trade with Nepal has been affected?

THE MINISTER OF COMMERCE (SHRI MANUBHAI SHAH) : (a) His Majesty's Government of Nepal have recently imposed additional surcharge on import duties on certain items, which are applicable to imports into Nepal from all countries including India;

(b) It is too early to gauge the effect of these levies on Indo-Nepal Trade.

†PAY SCALES OF CLERKS ON RAILWAYS

*518. SHRI JAGAT NARAIN : Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state :

(a) what are the pay scales of the different categories of clerks working on the Indian Railways; and

(b) if there is any difference between the pay scales of Accounts clerks and those of Commercial clerks?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (DR. RAM SUBHAG SINGH) : (a) A statement is placed on the Table of the House.

(b) Yes, Sir.

STATEMENT

Department and Designation	Pay scales (Authorised scales of pay) Rs.
<i>Office clerks of all departments except Accounts Department—</i>	
Clerk	110-3-131-4-155-EB-4-175-5-180
Senior Clerk ..	130-5-160-8-200-EB-8-256-EB-8-280-10-300
Head Clerk ..	210-10-290-15-320-EB-15-380
Chief Clerk Gr. II	335-15-425
Chief Clerk Gr. I	350-20-450-25-475.

†Postponed from the 18th August, 1966.