

(b) Rs. 1.0 crore for extending telephone facilities, i.e., opening public call offices at about 1,200 places, including district and sub-divisional towns.

SHRI M. VALIULLA: May I know in how many tehsils and towns these telephone facilities had been given during the last year?

SHRI RAJ BAHADUR: I have given that figure in the statement, and that is, I think, 41 during the course of this particular year. I do not have the figures for the last year.

HINDI TELEGRAMS

*487. MOULANA M. FARUQI: Will the Minister of TRANSPORT AND COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

(a) the number of telegraph offices in each State handling Hindi telegrams as on 31st March, 1957; and

(b) the total number of Hindi telegrams received at these offices during the year 1956-57?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF TRANSPORT AND COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI RAJ BAHADUR): (a)

Name of State	Number of offices
Andhra Pradesh	.. 10
Bihar	.. 128
Bombay	.. 391
Delhi	.. 36
Himachal Pradesh	.. 5
Jammu and Kashmir	.. 8
Madras	.. 1
Madhya Pradesh	.. 93
Mysore	.. 43
Panjab	.. 171
Rajasthan	.. 66
Uttar Pradesh	.. 145
West Bengal	.. 10
TOTAL	1107

(b) 66,927.

مولانا ایم - فاروقی : آپ نے اس

مزید اسکیم کو کھولنے کے لئے فائنڈیشنل ایئر سنہ ۱۹۵۷-۵۸ میں کتنا کرنا طے کیا ہے ؟

[مौलانا एम० फारुकी : आपने इस मजीद स्कीम को खोलने के लिये फाइनैन्सियल इयर सन् १९५७-५८ में कितना करना तय किया है ?]

श्री राज बहादुर : यह तो मृतवातिर कोशिश की जा रही है कि हिन्दी तारों के लिये ज्यादा से ज्यादा सुविधा हो जाये ।

مولانا ایم : فاروقی - کیا انریبل

منسٹر صاحب کو سنہ ۱۹۵۶-۵۷ کے اعتبار سے کچھ اندازہ ہو سکتا ہے کہ ہندی تاروں کی تعداد کچھ بڑھ رہی ہے ؟

†[मौलाना एम० फारुकी : क्या आन-रेबिल मिनिस्टर साहब को सन् १९५६-५७ के एतबार से कुछ अन्दाजा हो सकता है कि हिन्दी तारों की तादाद कुछ बढ़ रही है ?]

श्री राज बहादुर जी हा, बहुत ज्यादा बढ़ रही है ।

SHRI M. VALIULLA: May I know whether telegrams in Hindi as well as in English are accepted there?

SHRI RAJ BAHADUR: Telegrams in English also are accepted.

श्री नवाब सिंह चौहान : क्या हिन्दी टेलीप्रिटर की तादाद बढ़ रही है और नई लाइनें भी तैयार की जा रही हैं ?

श्री राज बहादुर : जी हां, थोड़े दिन पहले, २० हिन्दी टेलीप्रिटर मंगाये गये थे । उन को हिन्दी समाचार ऐजेन्सियों को दे दिया गया या दिया जा रहा है । आशा की जाती है कि आवश्यकतानुसार और मंगाये जा सकेंगे ।

†[Hindi transliteration.

SHRI P. S. RAJAGOPAL NAIDU: May I know how many Hindi telegrams have been received in the Madras office in the year 1956-57?

SHRI RAJ BAHADUR: State-wise it is not possible to give these figures.

श्री अमोलख चन्द : क्या मंत्री महोदय यह बतला सकेंगे कि कितने टेलीग्राम मंगाये गये हैं ? उनमें से कितने लग गये हैं और कितने स्टोर में रखे हुए हैं ?

श्री राज बहादुर : मैं इसका उत्तर विस्तार से दे चुका हूँ। लेकिन जैसा मैंने कहा कि २० मंगाये गये थे, उनमें से अधिकांश दिये जा चुके हैं और बाकी दिये जा रहे हैं।

श्री अमोलख चन्द : कितने बाकी रह गये हैं ?

श्री राज बहादुर : करीब ८ या १० दिये जा चुके हैं और ८ या १० एलाट हो चुके हैं।

SHRI M. VALIULLA: May I take it that the question refers only to the Roman and Hindi characters, and one can send telegrams in any language provided they are in these characters?

SHRI RAJ BAHADUR: It is quite obvious, Sir; because in Bombay, the number of offices is the largest; it is 391.

*488. [The questioner (Shri Tajamul Husain) was absent. For answer, vide cols. 3583-3584 infra.]

PRECAUTIONARY MEASURES TAKEN BY
RAILWAYS TO AVOID ACCIDENTS IN
MONSOON

*489. **SHRI AMOLAKH CHAND:** Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) what precautionary measures have been taken by Government to ensure safe and through running of

Railways during the monsoon to avoid any accidents; and

(b) whether instructions to take particular precautionary measures have been issued by the Railway Board to all Railway Zones or each Railway Zone has been instructed to formulate their own actions?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER OF RAILWAYS (SHRI SHAH NAWAZ KHAN): (a) and (b). A statement is laid on the Table of the House.

STATEMENT

(a) Chapters XIV and XVII of the Indian Railways Way and Works Manual contain instructions regarding pre-monsoon precautionary measures and patrolling of the railway line during monsoons or in time of emergency. In addition, other instructions on the subject have been issued from time to time to Railways and the Railways have been clearly told that expenditure should not stand in the way of taking adequate safety measures. Arrangements have been made with the Meteorological Department for issue of advance warnings to local railway officers whenever storms, gales or heavy rainfall are expected.

Further, on receipt of Judicial Inquiry Report on Ariyalur Accident, instructions have been issued to Railways on each of the recommendations made by the Commission with a view to preventing accidents in future. Similar action is being taken on recommendations contained in the reports on the accident near Mahbubnagar and the Venkataram Committee Report on bridges on Ex. Nizam State Railway, in so far as they are not covered by the recommendations contained in the Ariyalur Accident Report.

(b) The Railway Board issue instructions covering general principles and decisions only. The Railway Administrations issue detailed instructions in conformity with and as supplementary to Railway Board's instructions, to suit the local conditions