

now functioning at 13 places, namely, Delhi, Bombay, Calcutta, Madras, Sri-nagar, Agra, Banaras, Bangalore, Aurangabad, Jaipur, Simla, Ootaca-mund and Darjeeling.

POULTRY DEVELOPMENT SCHEME

41. SHRI M. GOVINDA REDDY: Will the Minister for FOOD AND AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government propose to launch a country-wide poultry development scheme;

(b) if so, what are the outlines of the scheme; and

(c) what is the estimated expenditure involved?

THE MINISTER FOR FOOD AND AGRICULTURE (SHRI A. P. JAIN): (a) Yes; in the Second Five Year Plan period.

(b) The scheme is intended to improve the breed of poultry in the country and increase the production of eggs by—

(i) rearing of imported baby chicks at the Indian Veterinary Research Institute, Izatnagar, and State Government Poultry Farms,

(ii) their distribution in trios (2 females and one male) at special concessional rates in development blocks located mainly in the Community Project Areas and National Extension Service Blocks, and

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(iii) establishing 300 poultry extension centres in the various States for demonstrating scientific methods of breeding, feeding and management of poultry.

(c) Rs. 145 lakhs.

TICKETLESS TRAVELLING

42. SHRI M. VALIULLA: Will the Minister for RAILWAYS be pleased to state the number of ticketless passengers detected and prosecuted in each railway zone in 1953-54 and so far in 1954-55?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER FOR RAILWAYS AND TRANSPORT (SHRI O. V. ALAGESAN):

A statement is attached. [See Appendix IX, Annexure No. 23.]

FLYING SQUADRONS OF TICKET EXAMINERS

43. SHRI M. VALIULLA: Will the Minister for RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) the number of flying squads of travelling ticket examiners attached at present to each railway zone; and

(b) the amount realised by each of these squads in the years 1953-54 and 1954-55?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER FOR RAILWAYS AND TRANSPORT (SHRI O. V. ALAGESAN): (a)

Central Railway	..	48
Southern Railway	..	6
N.E. Railway	..	5
Eastern Railway	..	51
Western Railway	..	15
Northern Railway	..	34

(b) A statement furnishing the required information is attached. [See Appendix IX, Annexure No. 24.]

TYPES OF RAILWAY COACHES

44. SHRI H. C MATHUR: Will the Minister for RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) how many types of coaches are in use on the Indian Railways;

(b) whether Government propose to standardise the Coaches; and

(c) if so, what action has so far been taken in that direction?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER FOR RAILWAYS AND TRANSPORT (SHRI O. V. ALAGESAN): (a)

Broad Gauge	..	203
Metre Gauge	..	62
Narrow Gauge	..	31

(b) Yes, Sir.

(c) New standard lower class coaches have been designed for Broad and Metre Gauge. Standard layouts have been completed for 25 types of Broad- Gauge coaches and other layouts are in preparation.