

### NUMBER OF PRE-1931 CLASS III AND CLASS IV RAILWAYMEN

98. SHRI S. GURUSWAMI : Will the Minister for RAILWAYS be pleased to state :

(a) the number of pre-1931 Railwaymen employed in Class III and Class IV respectively on each of the Government Railways on 31st March 1952.

(b) the number of Railwaymen employed in Class III and Class IV respectively on each Railway who were benefited by the decision of the Government regarding weightage for service for pre-1931 staff granted in December 1949 and the cost of the concession railwaywise; and

(c) the number of post-1931 staff who derived similar benefit and the cost of the concession which resulted from the December 1949 decision regarding weightage for service on each of the Railways ?

THE MINISTER FOR RAILWAYS (SHRI LAL BAHADUR) : Information is being collected from the Railways and will be laid on the Table of the House.

### QUARTERS PROVIDED TO RAILWAYMEN

99. SHRI S. GURUSWAMI : Will the Minister for RAILWAYS be pleased to state :

(a) the number of staff quarters provided on each Railway for the following categories of employees:

- (i) Running staff,
- (ii) Station staff,
- (iii) Inspection staff, and
- (iv) Medical staff; and

(b) the percentage of staff not provided with quarters in the respective categories mentioned above ?

THE MINISTER FOR RAILWAYS (SHRI LAL BAHADUR) : (a) and (b) The information is being collected from each Railway and will be laid on the Table of the House when ready.

### RAILWAY STAFF BENEFIT FUND

100. SHRI S. GURUSWAMI : Will the Minister for RAILWAYS be pleased to state what are the receipts and expenditure incurred under various items in the working of the Railway Staff Benefit Fund on each of the Railways during last five years ?

THE MINISTER FOR RAILWAYS (SHRI LAL BAHADUR) : The information is being collected from the Railways and will be laid on the Table of the House.

### RAILWAYS RUNNING STAFF

101. SHRI S. GURUSWAMI : Will the Minister for RAILWAYS be pleased to state the number of running staff in each of the grades, respectively, on each of the Railways and the total average mileage allowance earned by them in a month in the respective grades during 1951-52 ?

THE MINISTER FOR RAILWAYS (SHRI LAL BAHADUR) : Information is being collected from the Railways and will be laid on the Table of the House.

### PROVIDENT FUND MEMBERS ON EACH OF THE RAILWAYS

102. SHRI S. GURUSWAMI : Will the Minister for RAILWAYS be pleased to state the number of provident fund members on each of the Railways and the total amount of provident fund assets of the staff respectively ?

THE MINISTER FOR RAILWAYS (SHRI LAL BAHADUR) : The requisite information is given below :

Railway/Office	No. of Provident Fund members as on 31-3-52	Total amount of Provident Fund assets as on 31-3-52
	1	2
		Rs.
Western Railway	1,02,259	11,00,39,442
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C Locomotive Works.	4,327	9,48,921

1	2	3
		Rs.
Southern Railway	1,35,777	13,23,03,440
Central Railway	1,65,560	14,54,97,247
Railway Clearing Accounts Office	4,249	65,00,996
Ex-E.I. Railway	2,14,700	16,82,51,000
Ex-B.N. Railway	1,02,800	10,23,82,000
Ex-E.P. Railway	47,774	5,16,28,733
Ex-Bikaner State	3,070	26,74,122
Ex-Jodhpur	7,200	74,19,988
Ex-O.T. Railway	60,000	3,29,07,000
Ex-Assam Railway	45,217	2,70,89,327
GRAND TOTAL	8,92,933	78,76,42,216

#### IMPLEMENTATION OF RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE JOINT RAILWAY ADVISORY COMMITTEE

103. SHRI S. GURUSWAMI : (a) Will the Minister for RAILWAYS be pleased to lay on the Table a statement showing the action taken on the various recommendations of the Joint Railway Advisory Committee;

(b) what is the number of the staff who were benefited as a result of those recommendations; and

(c) what is the additional cost incurred per annum on account of each of those recommendations?

THE MINISTER FOR RAILWAYS (SHRI LAL BAHADUR) : Information is being collected from the Railways and will be laid on the Table of the House.

#### INTERNATIONAL T.B. CONFERENCE

104. SHRIMATI SAVITRY NIGAM : Will the Minister for HEALTH be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government propose to call an International T. B. Conference; and

(b) if so, when ?

THE MINISTER FOR HEALTH (RAJKUMARI AMRIT KAUR) : (a) No, because of financial stringency.

(b) Does not arise

#### TELEPHONE DEVELOPMENT FUND

105. SHRI P. C. BHANJ DEO : Will the Minister for COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state :

(a) the balance in the Telephone Development Fund on 31-3-1951, 31-3-1952 and 31-3-1953;

(b) whether there will be a net drawing of Rs. 20,00,000 (twenty lakhs) from this fund during the year 1952-53;

(c) whether it is proposed to transfer Rs. 55,00,000 (rupees fifty-five lakhs) from the Telephone Development Fund during 1952-53; and, if so, whether it includes any interest earned on the balance of the fund;

(d) whether after the completion of the Telephone Development programme there need not be any balance in the fund;

(e) the estimated cost of the Telephone Development programme on hand;

(f) in how many years the programme is likely to be completed; and

(g) whether the money in the Fund will be sufficient to complete the Telephone Development programme?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER FOR COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI RAJ BAHADUR) : (a) Balance on 31st March 1951—Rs. 144.36 lakhs.

Balance on 31st March 1952—Rs. 169.36 lakhs.

Balance on 31st March 1953—Rs. 149.35 lakhs.

N.B.—As the accounts for 1951-52 have not yet been finally closed, the balance furnished as on 31st March 1952 is based on the Revised Estimates for that year. The balance as on 31st March 1953 is based on the Budget Estimates for 1952-53.

(b) Yes.

(c) No. The amount proposed to be transferred from the Fund is Rs. 75 lakhs. The amount proposed to be