

(d) Pending the receipt of the report, all possible steps are, however, being taken to relieve congestion by introducing additional trains as feasible. For example, during April—June, 1953, two new trains were introduced between Tezpur and Rangapara North. Two trains each way were extended between Alipur Duar and Fakiragram and four trains between Rangapara North and Tezpur.

ASIAN REGIONAL LABOUR CONFERENCE

*1406. Shri Vittal Rao: Will the Minister of Labour be pleased to state:

(a) the delegates who have been nominated to represent the workers at the Asian Regional Labour Conference, International Labour Organisation to be held during the 3rd week of September, 1953;

(b) the considerations that weighed with Government for the nomination; and

(c) whether Government have conducted any enquiry to find out as to which Central Organisation of workers, is the most representative?

The Minister of Labour (Shri V. V. Giri): (a) Shri Khardubhai K. Dessai, Member, Parliament and Shri S. R. Vasavada, M.L.A. (Bom.) have been nominated to attend the Second Asian Regional Labour Conference, which is being held at Tokyo from the 14th to the 28th September 1953 as the workers' delegate and adviser respectively.

(b) According to Article 3, paragraph 5, of the constitution of the International Labour Organisation the workers' representatives have to be chosen in agreement with the most representative of their organisations. Both Shri Desai and Shri Vasavada were proposed by the Indian National Trade Union Congress, which according to the available information has the largest membership among the four All-India organisations of workers.

(c) Yes.

ACCOMMODATION FOR RAILWAY STAFF

*1407. Shri H. N. Mukerjee: Will the Minister of Railways be pleased to state:

(a) what progress has been made towards giving alternative accommodation to those Railway Employees who have been putting up in condemned wagons in the Sealdah Division of the Eastern Railway; and

(b) how many condemned wagons are at present being utilised by Railway employees for residential purposes?

The Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister of Railways and Transport (Shri Shah Nawaz Khan): (a) 62 units of quarters have been completed and allotted to staff who have been living in wagon bodies. The construction of 232 more quarters is in progress and a further 252 quarters are included in the current year's Programme and will be built as early as possible.

(b) 808 wagon bodies are reported as now being used by the staff for residential purposes on the Sealdah Division.

डाक-कर्मचारियों द्वारा कलम रोको हड़ताल

*१४०८. श्री बी० मिश्र : क्या संघरक्ष मंत्री यह बतलाने की कृपा करेंगे।

(क) क्या यह सत्य है कि सरकार को अखिल भारतीय डाक और रेलवे डाक सेवा कर्मचारी संघ से हड़ताल की सूचना मिली है ;

(ख) क्या संघ की परिषद् ने मांगों की एक सूची भी भेजी है ;

(ग) क्या यह सत्य है कि उन्होंने यह सूचना दी है कि इन मांगों के अस्वीकृत होने पर वे निकट भविष्य में ही १५ मिनट तक कलम रोको हड़ताल करेंगे ; और

(घ) यदि उपरोक्त भाग (क) से (ग) तक के उत्तर स्वीकारात्मक हों, तो