

(b) if so, the decision arrived at?

The Deputy Minister of Railways and Transport (Shri Alagesan): (a) and (b). The matter is still under examination.

W. H. O. REGIONAL COMMITTEE FOR SOUTH EAST ASIA

***54. Shri Magan Lal Bagdi:** Will the Minister of Health be pleased to state:

(a) the decisions arrived at at the meeting of the World Health Organisation Regional Committee for South East Asia;

(b) whether it is a fact that a request was made by the Indian Delegation for making available some professors for preventive medicine;

(c) if so, whether any decision has been taken in the matter;

(d) if the reply to part (c) above be in the affirmative, the names of the countries which have been asked to recommend the names; and

(e) by what time a definite decision is expected to be taken?

The Minister of Health (Rajkumari Amrit Kaur): (a) Presumably the Member is referring to the Seventh Session of the W.H.O. Regional Committee meeting held in New Delhi in September, 1954. A copy of the Resolutions adopted by the said Committee is laid on the Table of the House. [Placed on the Library. See No. S-427/54.]

(b) Yes. A request was made for assistance from the W.H.O. during 1956 for the assignment of 5 Professors.

(c) and (e). The request has been noted by the Committee. The decision in the matter will be taken by the Eighth World Health Assembly scheduled to meet at Mexico in May, 1955.

(d) The question does not arise at present. The selection of international experts will be made by the W.H.O. in consultation with the Government of India.

TELEPHONE OPERATORS IN DELHI EXCHANGES

***57. Th. Jugal Kishore Sinha:** Will the Minister of Communications be pleased to state:

(a) the number of operators in Delhi and New Delhi Telephone Exchanges employed on daily wages;

(b) whether there is any proposal to absorb them permanently; and

(c) if so, whether any decision has been taken in the matter?

The Deputy Minister of Communications (Shri Raj Bahadur): (a) 110.

(b) No.

(c) Does not arise.

अन्तर्राष्ट्रीय टिकट-संग्रह प्रदर्शनी

*** ६६. श्री नवल प्रभाकर :** क्या संचार मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे :

(क) अन्तर्राष्ट्रीय टिकट-संग्रह व डाक प्रदर्शनी को देखने के लिए कितने व्यक्ति गये थे; और

(ख) टिकटों की बिक्री आदि से कुल कितनी रकम मिली ?

The Deputy Minister of Communications (Shri Raj Bahadur): (a) 1,20,009.

(b) Rs. 35,628-9-0.

WORKING OF THE AIR CORPORATIONS

***67. Shri Heda:** Will the Minister of Communications be pleased to state:

(a) the total loss after nationalisation of the Airlines suffered by the two Corporations;

(b) the total loss for a similar period before nationalisation; and

(c) the reasons for the difference, if any?

The Deputy Minister of Communications (Shri Raj Bahadur): (a) to (c). I lay on the Table of the House a statement giving the requisite information. [See Appendix I, annexure No. 8.]

INTERNATIONAL PHILATELIC EXHIBITION

***71. Shri B. D. Shastri:** Will the Minister of Communications be pleased to state:

(a) the number of persons who availed of the Air Travel Concession for attending the International Philatelic and Postal Exhibition;