

(b) if so, the number of each article for which orders have been placed; (c) the price of each; and

(d) the proportion that each of the items bear to the total of imported materials which go to make up the W.G. engine?

The Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister of Railways and Transport (Shri Shah Nawaz Khan): (a) Yes.

(b) 10 locomotive bed-frames with integral cylinders and 104 sets of cast steel cylinders.

(c) Locomotive bed-frames at approximately Rs. 1,13,000 F.O.B. each and cast steel cylinders at approximately Rs. 22,000/- F.O.B. per set of one right hand and one-left-hand cylinder.

(d) A bed-frame will cost approximately 66% and one set of cylinder approximately 12 of the average cost of the imported material used on the locomotive on which these items are fitted.

इन्दौर-दोहद रेलवे

*८८. श्री अमर सिंह डामर : क्या रेलवे मंत्री २३ फरवरी, १९५५ को दिये गये तारांकित प्रश्न संख्या २३ के उत्तर के सम्बन्ध में यह कथने की पुष्टि करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या उसके बाद दोहद से इन्दौर तक रेल लाइन बनाने के बारे में कोई निर्णय किया गया है ;

(ख) यदि हाँ, तो कार्य कब प्रारम्भ होगा; और

(ग) उस पर अनुमानतः कितना व्यय होगा ?

रेलवे तथा परिवहन मंत्री के सहायक सचिव (श्री. जगहनराज झा) : (क) प्रश्नी तक नहीं ।

(ख) और (ग). सवाल नहीं उठता ।

Tourist Traffic

*८९. **Sardar Iqbal Singh:** Will the Minister of Transport be pleased to state:

(a) the number of tourists who visited India from the 1st January to the 30th June, 1955; and

(b) the total amount of foreign exchange earned thereby during the above period?

The Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister of Railways and Transport (Shri Shah Nawaz Khan): (a) The number of tourists who visited India from 1st January 1955 to 30th April 1955 was 12,962. Figures for the months of May and June are not yet available.

(b) The figures of foreign exchange earned during this period are not available.

Central Rice Research Institute, Cuttack

*९०. **Shri Sanganna:** Will the Minister of Food and Agriculture be pleased to refer to the reply given to starred question No. 1876 on the 4th April, 1955 and state:

(a) whether any of the recommendations of the Committee appointed to investigate into the adequacy or otherwise of the establishment and equipment of the Central Rice Research Institute, Cuttack have been accepted and implemented; and

(b) if so, which of them?

The Minister of Food and Agriculture (Shri A. P. Jain): (a) and (b). The matter is still under consideration.

Re-grouping of Railways

*९१. { **Shrimati Ha Palchaudhury;**
Shri H. N. Makerji:

Will the Minister of Railways be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that fresh re-grouping of Indian Railways is under the consideration of Government; and

(b) if so, the reasons therefor?

The Deputy Minister of Railways and Transport (Shri Alagasan): (a) No fresh re-grouping of Indian Railways is contemplated with the exception of the division of the Eastern Railway into two zones about which a public announcement has already been made. These Zones will come into force from 1st August, 1955.

(b) A copy of the public announcement giving the reasons for the division of the Eastern Railway is placed on the Table of the House. (See Appendix I, annexure No. 23).