

निपटान महानिदेशालय के दर संविदा के अन्तर्गत किये गए सम्भरण में एक बोरी पर 0.30 रुपये की छूट दी जाती है। इस मूल्य में बिक्री कर, चुंगी नगर मुल्क तथा अन्य स्थानीय कर सम्मिलित नहीं हैं।

गोदाम रखने उठाने का चर्चा, स्टाफिस्टों का कमीशन, रेलवे स्टेशन से स्टाफिस्ट के गोदाम के भाड़े इत्यादि के कारण सीमेंट का खुदरा मूल्य प्रत्येक स्थान पर भ्रमण भ्रमण होता है। कुछ स्थानों पर सीमेंट का खुदरा मूल्य बिक्री कर चुंगी नगर मुल्क इत्यादी को शामिल न कर नीचे दिया गया है :

स्थान	मूल्य प्रति बोरी रुपये
भोपाल	9.12
महमदाबाद	9.28
दम्बई	9.17
कलकता	9.28
लखनऊ	9.30
मद्रास	9.27
बंगलौर	9.24
हैदराबाद	9.19 (रेल द्वारा ले जाने के लिए)
हैदराबाद	9.39 (सड़क से ले जाने के लिए)
तिरुचेन्द्रप	9.29
पाण्डिचेरी	9.23

(ख) और (ग). सीमेंट से निबंधन हटा दिये जाने का प्रस्ताव 1-1-1966 से भारत के राज्य व्यापार निगम से सीमेंट का आयात करना बन्द कर लिया है।

Purchase of Coal by Railways

3492. Shri George Fernandes:
Shri J. H. Patel;
Shri Madhu Limaye:

Will the Minister of Railways be pleased to state:

(a) the quantum of coal purchased by the Indian Railways annually and the price at which it was bought during the last two years; and

(b) whether tenders were invited for the sale of coal to the Railways, and if so, the rates quoted by the tenderers?

The Minister of Railways (Shri C. M. Poonacha): (a) and (b). A statement showing the information is laid on the Table of the House. [Placed in Library. See No. LT-771/67].

Appointment of University Students by Central Railway

3494. Shri George Fernandes:
Shri Madhu Limaye:
Shri J. H. Patel:

Will the Minister of Railways be pleased to state:

(a) the number of University Students employed by the Central Railway to cope with the heavy rush of passengers during the summer vacation;

(b) the terms on which these appointments were made; and

(c) whether there is any proposal to employ such part-time Booking Clerks on all Railways and in all seasons?

The Minister of Railways (Shri C. M. Poonacha): (a) NIL.

(b) Does not arise.

(c) No.

Trains held up on Eastern Railway

3495. Shri Yashpal Singh:
Shri Ram Singh Ayyarwal:

Shri Hukam Chand Kachwal:
Shri S. K. Tapariah:

Will the Minister of Railways be pleased to state:

(a) the number and particulars of the trains on the Eastern Railway which were held up since the termination of the last session of Lok Sabha;

(b) the main reasons for their hold up; and

(c) the action taken in the matter?

The Minister of Railways (Shri C. M. Poonacha): (a) 34 trains, including 26 suburban, 7 passenger and 1 express trains were held up from 8th April, 1967 to 10th June, 1967. These hold-ups resulted in detention to 148 other trains (viz. 16 Mail/Express, 14 Passenger and 118 suburban) and cancellation of 85 trains.

(b) The reasons, mainly were stopping of trains by public to prevent rice smuggling, quarrels amongst passengers, protests against late running, provision of additional stoppages, revision of train timings, etc.

(c) All cases of hold-ups are reported to the civil authorities and report of major cases are also sent to the Chief Minister. As for demands for improving train timings, provision of stoppages, etc., action, as is found feasible and justified, having regard to the overall interests of traffic and availability of resources by way of coaching stock etc., is always taken. Punctuality of trains is also watched at all levels and everything possible is being done to run trains to time.

Expansion of Durgapur Steel Plant

3408 Shri Yashpal Singh:
Shri S. C. Samanta:
Shri Sharda Nand:
Shri Bharat Singh Chauhan:
Shri Rajjit Singh:

Shri Ram Kishan Gupta:
Shri Vasudevan Nair:
Shri C. Janardhanan:

Will the Minister of Steel, Mines and Metals be pleased to state:

(a) whether a hitch in the negotiations on the second stage of expansion of the Durgapur Steel Plant has developed;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) whether Government are pursuing the negotiations?

The Minister of Steel, Mines and Metals (Dr. Chenna Reddy): (a) to (c). The matter is still under consideration.

Phosphorous in Katni

3497. Shri Hukam Chand Kachwal:
Shri Ram Singh Ayarwal:
Shri Nitiraj Singh Chaudhary:
Shri Nathu Ram Ahirwar:
Shrimati Agam Das Guru
Minimata:

Will the Minister of Steel, Mines and Metals be pleased to refer to the reply given to Unstarred Question No. 815 on the 29th July, 1966 and state:

(a) whether Government are aware that the iron ore available in Katni has considerable phosphorous contents and as such when converted into pig iron is eminently suitable for the manufacture of spun pipes; and

(b) if so, the decision taken on the application of the Government of Madhya Pradesh for the manufacture of 300,000 tonnes of pig iron from iron ore at Katni?

The Minister of Steel, Mines and Metals (Dr. Chenna Reddy): (a) According to the State Government, the Kanhwara iron ore deposits near Katni have a phosphorous content of 0.39 to 0.57 per cent on a water free basis. Pig iron with high phosphorous content is desirable for manufacture of spun pipes.