

in the subsidy to be given on rice, so that it may be sold at a retail price of Rs. 15 per maund on a quantity of 10,000 tons. About 8,000 tons of wheat has already been sent to Bihar, while the quantity of rice is being found from their own stocks as Bihar do not want any import of rice.

SALE PRICES OF WHEAT AND RICE IN BIHAR

779. **Shri L. N. Mishra:** Will the Minister of Food and Agriculture be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have received any representation from the people of Bihar to permit sale of rice and wheat at the rate of Rs. 12/- and Rs. 10/- a maund respectively in the flood-affected areas; and

(b) if so, the decision taken in the matter?

**The Minister of Agriculture (Dr. P. S. Deshmukh):** (a) and (b). No; but sale of rice and wheat is being made in the flood-affected areas at a subsidized price of Rs. 15 and Rs. 10 per maund respectively as suggested by Bihar Government.

पश्चिमी रेलवे में यात्रियों की सुविधायें

७८०. **श्री डामर :** क्या रेलवे मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या पश्चिमी रेलवे की रतलाम और मेघनगर स्टेशनों के बीच में स्थित बामन्या और उदयगढ़ स्टेशनों पर प्रतीक्षालय बनाने के लिये कोई राशि मंजूर की गयी है; और

(ख) यदि हां, तो उसका काम कब तक चालू किया जायेगा ?

**The Deputy Minister of Railways and Transport (Shri Alagesan):** (a) No, Sir. Apparently the hon. Member refers to the provision of waiting rooms for upper class passengers. There is not enough justification at present for the provision of these waiting rooms. Third class waiting halls are already available at these stations.

(b) Does not arise.

पेटलावद में तार तथा टेलीफोन कार्यालय

७८१. **श्री डामर :** क्या संचार मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) मध्य भारत के झाबुआ जिले के पेटलावद कस्बे में तार तथा टेलीफोन कार्यालय खोलने में अब तक क्या प्रगति हुई है, जिसके बारे में कुछ समय पहले मंजूरी दी गयी थी;

(ख) क्या यह सच है कि इस बारे में अभी तक कुछ नहीं किया गया है; और

(ग) यदि हां, तो देर का कारण क्या है ?

**The Deputy Minister of Communications (Shri Raj Bahadur):** (a) The proposal for opening of a Telegraph Office at Petlaved was approved on 7th April 1954 and the estimates were sanctioned on 25th May 1954. The required stores were indented for on 5th June 1954. The stores are now under supply. Telephone facility is not proposed to be provided at this station.

(b) No. The details given above clearly indicate that action is being taken.

(c) Does not arise.

RAILWAY TICKETS

782. **Shri H. G. Vaishnav:** Will the Minister of Railways be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Railway Tickets for travel between Kajgaon and Chalisgaon are not available at Kajgaon Station since a month; and

(b) if so, the reasons therefor?

**The Deputy Minister of Railways and Transport (Shri Alagesan):** (a) Printed tickets for Chalisgaon were not available at Kajgaon during the month of