

(a) whether there has been any extension in the Station buildings and yard of the Kichha Station North Eastern Railway since the colonisation of the Terai area commonly known after Kichha,

(b) the present loading of grain goods and other commodities from Kichha at present and the average booking from and arrivals of passengers to Kichha Station,

(c) whether there have been demands for the extension of the Station building and the yard capacity of the said station and also increase of quota for the small bookings, and

(d) if so, whether any decision has been taken to meet the general needs referred to?

The Deputy Minister of Railways (Shri Shahnawaz Khan). (a) Though no physical extension has been made, the station building and yard have been improved by raising and surfacing of the platform and electrification of the premises, since colonisation of neighbouring Terai area started

(b) A statement showing separately loading of foodgrains and other commodities during the 6 months from January to June, 1957 is laid on the Table of Lok Sabha [See Appendix II, annexure No 133] The daily average number of outward passengers booked from Kichha Station is 500 and inwards alighted 380 (approximately)

(c) Representations for provision of certain facilities at Kichha Station and for increasing quota for booking of smalls to eastern districts of UP were received, but there has been no demand for increase in yard capacity

(d) Works of improving goods approach road and arrangements for supply of drinking water to passengers are nearing completion. In the 1958-59 Programme it is proposed to include extension to goods-shed, provision of parcel godown and improvement to goods-shed area. The P & T Department has been addressed to instal a telephone at the station. Cer-

tain relaxations have already been made for booking of foodgrains as smalls

Clerical Service on Railways

603. Shri Ghosal: Will the Minister of Railways be pleased to state.

(a) whether there is any definition of "routine work" and "disposal work" as mentioned in the report of the Central Pay Commission in connection with Clerical Service on Railways,

(b) if so, what it is,

(c) what is the percentage of "routine work" clerks and "disposal work" clerks in the category of the Grade III clerks of the Railway Accounts Department,

(d) whether it is in consonance with the percentage recommended by the Central Pay Commission, and

(e) if not, why?

The Deputy Minister of Railways (Shri Shahnawaz Khan): (a) No, Sir

(b) to (e) Do not arise

Passenger Amenities

604 Shri Ramakrishna Reddy. Will the Minister of Railways be pleased to state

(a) whether they propose to run a direct compartment from Katpadi to Hyderabad via Pakala and Dharamavaram junctions on the Southern Railway, and

(b) if not, why?

The Deputy Minister of Railways (Shri Shahnawaz Khan): (a) No.

(b) There is no traffic justification as the daily average number of passengers booked from Secunderabad/Kacheguda to stations beyond Dharamavaram towards Katpadi comes to about six only

National Highways

605. Shri Mohan Swarup: Will the Minister of Transport and Communications be pleased to state