

and 21st January, 1973 and decided to go on strike in case their problems were not solved;

(b) if so, what were the demands of the Loco Running Staff and what steps have been taken in solving their problems, and

(c) what steps Government propose to take to avoid the threat of Strike by Loco Running Staff?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI MOHD SHAFI QURESHI)

(a) Yes, Sir.

(b) and (c). A list of 31 demands adopted by the Association in the Annual Conference held at Burdwan in January 1973 is given in the statement laid on the Table of the House. [*Placed in Library. See No L.T—4623/73.*] Earlier, the demands of this Association were 10 in number as detailed in the reply to Unstarred Question No. 4891 laid on the Table of the House on 19-12-72

Grievances of staff including Loco Running Staff are dealt with through the Permanent Negotiating Machinery and Joint Consultative Machinery provided for the purpose. Every effort is made to meet legitimate demands expeditiously.

Duties of typists on Indian Railways

4897. SHRI DHARAMGAJ SINGH Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to refer to the reply given to Unstarred Question No. 2027 on the 28th November, 1972 regarding duties of typists on Indian Railways and state:

(a) whether the duties of typists have been circulated by the Railway Board to all the Zonal headquarters, and by the Zonal headquarters to all their subordinate offices,

(b) if not, the reasons therefor; and

(c) the time by which Government will circulate the said duty lists?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI MOHD. SHAFI QURESHI)

(a) and (b) The Railway Board have not circulated the duties of Typists to the Zonal Railways. However, duties of Typists locally framed by the Zonal Railways have been circulated to their subordinate offices.

(c) Does not arise, as the Zonal Railways themselves are competent to prepare duty lists.

Treatment of Head Typist on Kota Division (Western Railway) as Supervisory Staff

4898. SHRI DHARAMGAJ SINGH Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to refer to the reply given to Unstarred Question No. 4043 on the 12th December, 1972 regarding the implementation of latest duty list of Head Typists on Kota Division of Western Railway and state :

(a) whether the Railway Board has recently issued a list of Supervisory Staff wherein the Head Typists working on Indian Railways have been treated as "Supervisory Staff",

(b) whether the Head Typists working in Kota Division are not regarded as "Supervisory Staff", and

(c) if so, the reasons therefor?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI MOHD. SHAFI QURESHI): (a) Yes.

(b) No. They are classified as Supervisory.

(c) Does not arise.