

(b) the total amount of foreign exchange earned thereby; and

(c) the agency entrusted for the purchase and export of Banana?

The Minister of Commerce (Shri Manubhai Shah): (a) and (b). State-wise statistics of export of bananas are not maintained and as such information about export of bananas from Kerala and the amount of foreign exchange earned thereby are not available.

(c) No particular agency is entrusted with purchase and export of Bananas from Kerala.

Indo-Afghanistan Trade Agreement

3700. Shri Ram Harkh Yadav: Will the Minister of Commerce be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that some changes have been made in the Indo-Afghanistan trade agreement;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the commodities of imports and exports affected by these changes?

The Minister of Commerce (Shri Manubhai Shah): (a) and (b). The Indo-Afghan Trade Agreement signed in New Delhi on 21st January, 1964, was valid upto 31st January, 1965, in the first instance. It was extended for another year upto 31st January, 1966, with slight modification in the procedure of valuation of imports from Afghanistan on the basis of customs assessed/value in place of the rates agreed upon in January, 1964, the working of which was not found satisfactory.

(c) The change in the procedure of valuation has had no effect on the commodities of imports from and exports to Afghanistan.

Dining-cum-kitchen Car

3701. Shri Ram Harkh Yadav:
Shri Murl Manohar:

Will the Minister of Railways be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government propose to put on service two new sets of

Dining-cum-kitchen cars on the Delhi-Madras and Kalka-Howrah routes of the Indian Railways in the near future;

(b) if so, whether the cars are ready for commission and when they are likely to be put on service; and

(c) the estimated cost of the cars?

The Minister of State in the Ministry of Railways (Dr. Ram Subhas Singh): (a) Yes.

(b) The new Dining, Cars will be put on service in about 3 months' time.

(c) Rs. 3.70 lakhs per car.

रमनिया में रेलवे स्टेशन

3702. श्री तन सिंह : क्या रेलवे मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) उत्तर रेलवे के जोधपुर डिबीजन में समदड़ी-भीलडी सेक्शन पर रमनिया में एक रेलवे स्टेशन खोलने के लिये वहां के निवासियों की ओर से प्रार्थना-पत्र प्राप्त हुआ है ; और

(ख) यदि हां, तो इसके बारे में सरकार की क्या प्रतिक्रिया है ?

रेलवे मंत्रालय में उपमंत्री (श्री ज्ञान नाथ) : (क) जी हां ।

(ख) इस प्रस्ताव पर विचार हो रहा है ।

बालोतरा जंक्शन पर निर्माण कार्य

3703. श्री तन सिंह : क्या रेलवे मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या यह सच है कि उत्तर रेलवे के जोधपुर डिबीजन में बालोतरा जंक्शन पर निर्माण कार्य अभी तक प्रारम्भ नहीं किया गया है, हालांकि पिछले तीन वर्षों से इसके लिये लगातार व्यवस्था की जाती रही है ;

(ख) इस काम में क्या अड़बटें थीं ; और