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Kurduwadi-Miraj Rail Link

*985. Shri Bajasaheb Patil: Will the Minister of Railways be pleased to refer to the reply given to Starred Question No. 1270 on the 27th March, 1958, and state:

(a) whether the survey reports for the construction of a broad gauge Railway line between Kurduwadi and Miraj have been finalised;

(b) if so, when the actual construction will begin; and

(c) what are estimated costs for the same?

The Deputy Minister of Railways (Shri S. V. Ramaswamy): (a) The Survey Report for conversion into B.G. has almost been finalised. Meanwhile directions have been given for making an appreciation of the Miraj-

Kurduwadi conversion into M.G. and also for comments on the possibilities of Kurduwadi-Latur conversion to M.G. and its further extension upto Furlil-Vaijnath. Since these aspects are being looked into by the Railway it will take some time more to get the survey reports.

(b) and (c). Do not arise.

Chittaranjan Locomotive Works

*986. Shri Ajit Singh Sarhadil: Will the Minister of Railways be pleased to state the present percentage of foreign imports and its value in the production of locomotives in Chittaranjan Locomotive Works?

The Deputy Minister of Railways (Shri S. V. Ramaswamy):

The value of imported materials and components for a W.G. class locomotive now being manufactured at Chittaranjan Locomotive Works is about Rs. 1.23 lakhs (total cost being 4.6 lakhs), broken up in 3 main groups as under:—

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(i) Raw materials and rough components not yet available either fully or even partly from indigenous sources	36,900 (30%)
(ii) Components which are normally bought out items for all locomotive manufactures and which are not proposed to be manufactured at Chittaranjan Locomotive Works	55,350 (45%)
(iii) Components in respect of which capacity is being progressively developed at Chittaranjan to eliminate imports completely	30,750 (25%)

Closure of Rail Link between Bihar, North Bengal and Assam

*987. { Shri L. Achaw Singh:
Shri Rajendra Singh:

Will the Minister of Railways be pleased to state:

(a) whether the rail link between Bihar and North Bengal and Assam has been closed due to flood conditions between Katihar and Siliguri since the 17th August, 1958;

(b) the number of breaches which occurred due to the floods;

(c) if so, the number of passenger stranded on both sides of breaches;

(d) the nature of relief given to these passengers and alternative means of transit made available for them;

(e) how long the dislocation of the train services on the N.E.F. Railway lasted; and

(f) the steps taken for the resumption of train services?

The Deputy Minister of Railways (Shri S. V. Ramaswamy): (a) to (f). A statement is laid on the Table of the House. [See Appendix IV, annexure No. 42.]