

MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI MALLIKARJUN): (a) The estimated cost of the project is Rs. 234 crores and outlay during 1992-93 is Rs. 11 crores.

(b) Progress of the project as on 30.6.92 is 52.3% and expenditure upto June '92 in Rs. 83.56 crores.

(c) Will depend upon the availability of resources in the coming years.

[English]

Folkloria University

4059. SHRI G. MADEGOWDA: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether any proposal has been received from the Karnataka Government for the establishment of a Folkloria University; and

(b) if so, the action taken by the Government on the proposal to foster folk culture?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION AND DEPARTMENT OF CULTURE): (KUMARI SELJA): (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

[Translation]

Hostels for Boys/Girls

4060. SHRI DEVI BUX SINGH:
SHRI RATILAL VARMA:
SHRI PRABHU DAYAL
KATHERIA:

Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the number of hostels constructed for boys/girls in the country;

(b) the details of their location, State-wise and district-wise;

(c) the amount of assistance provided by the Union Government for the construction of such hostels to each State;

(d) whether there is any scheme under the consideration of the Government for the construction of some more hostels in the country particularly in Uttar Pradesh and Rajasthan; and

(e) if so, the details thereof, State-wise?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION AND DEPARTMENT OF CULTURE): (KUMARI SELJA): (a) to (e). According to the information furnished by UGC, the Commission provides financial assistance to all eligible Universities and Colleges, inter-alia, for construction of Boy's and Women's hostels. According to the UGC guidelines for formulation of Development proposals for 8th Plan by the Universities and colleges, grants are being provided by the commission on 75% basis for Boy's hostels and 100% basis for Women's hostels. Information regarding the total number of students hostels for the construction of which UGC provided assistance during the Seventh Plan period is being compiled and will be laid on the Table of the House.

[English]

Safety of Tracks

4061 SHRI BAPU HARI CHAURE: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state: