

[Translation]

#### Gauge Conversion

2576. SHRI SURYA NARAIN YADAV : Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to refer to the reply given to Unstarred Question No. 7903 on May 30, 1995 and state :

(a) whether any report re: survey for conversion of Mansi-Saharsa-Forbesganj metre gauge line into broad gauge line has been received by the Government;

(b) if so, the details of the report; and

(c) if not, by when it is expected to be received?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAY (SHRI SURESH KALMADI) : (a) to (c) The survey for conversion of Mansi-Saharsa-Forbesganj section has been taken up and the report is expected by 31.3.96.

[English]

#### Treatment of Epilepsy

2577. SHRI MANIKRAO HODLYA GAVIT : Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state :

(a) the number of Institutions functioning at present for the treatment of epilepsy in each State alongwith the number of patients cured during the last three years; and

(b) the steps taken to create awareness about epilepsy and provide counselling as well as treatment to patients?

THE MINISTER OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI A.R ANTULAY) : (a) Epilepsy can be treated by General Physicians in all hospitals. No definite data is available on the number of patients treated for epilepsy.

(b) Government has taken steps to improve maternal and child health which will contribute in reducing such cases. Indian Council of Medical Research through its centre for Advanced Research on community Mental Health located at National Institute of Mental Health and Neurosciences, Bangalore and through National Task Force on Project "Severe Mental Morbidity" had undertaken programmes to create awareness regarding epilepsy and its management such as providing counselling and treatment to patients.

#### Light Rail Transit System

2578. SHRI J. CHOKKA RAO : Will the Minister of URBAN AFFAIRS AND EMPLOYMENT be pleased to state :

(a) whether the Light Rail Transit System in Hyderabad was posed for external assistance;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) whether the Railways are participating in the said project?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF URBAN AFFAIRS AND EMPLOYMENT (DEPARTMENT OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT) (SHRI R.K. DHAWAN): (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

(c) No, Sir.

#### Misuse of Rail Passes

2579. SHRI LOKANATH CHOUDHURY : Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state :

(a) whether the Railway Board have received a representation from the All India Newspaper Employees Federation (AINEF) regarding large scale misuse of railway concession granted to the Indian Federation of Working Journalists for its membership and conferences;

(b) whether any inquiry has been conducted into this irregularity; and

(c) if so, the details thereof and action taken by the Government thereon?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI SURESH KALMADI) : (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) and (c) Concession is granted to persons who are issued certificates by the organisation for availing the concession. In this case, whoever has been certified a member of the Indian Federation of Working Journalists has been permitted to travel by paying concessional fare. It would be practically difficult for the Railways to enquire into and establish the bonafides of every individual who has availed the concession.

#### Implementaion of Reservation

2580. SHRI CHHEDI PASWAN :

SHRI RAM KRIPAL YADAV :

Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state :

(a) whether the reservation is going to be fully implemented in the Civil Services Preliminary Examination;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) if not, the reasons therefor;

(d) whether there is any provision not to include other Backward Classes successful candidates in the 27 per cent reservation category, in the event of their securing marks equivalent to general category candidates; and

(e) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PERSONNEL PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PENSIONS AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS (SHRIMATI MARGARET ALVA) : (a) to (e) The UPSC have fully implemented