

70. 8475 Neelachal Express
 71. 8477 Kalinga Express
 72. 8543 Samta Express
 73. 9760 Jaipur Express

The list includes trains which ran late even for one day.

Surrogate Mothers

484. SHRI PARAS RAM BHARDWAJ : Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state :

(a) whether following the path of blood and kidney trade, women are offering their eggs for sale and renting out their wombs for someone else's baby;

(b) if so, the details in this regard; and

(c) the reaction of Government thereto?

THE MINISTER OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI A.R. ANTULAY) : (a) No such specific instance has come to the notice of the Government.

(b) Does not arise.

(c) Does not arise.

Capacity Utilisation

485. SHRI RAJENDRA AGNIHOTRI : Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state :

(a) the capacity of utilisation of nuclear power plants; and

(b) the steps taken for its optimal utilisation?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE PRIME MINISTER'S OFFICE AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF ATOMIC ENERGY AND DEPARTMENT OF SPACE AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY (SHRI BHUVNESH CHATURVEDI) : (a) Capacity utilisation (capacity factor) of Nuclear Power Plants from the date of commencement of commercial operation upto 31 October, 1995 is as under :

Name of the Unit	Capacity factor %
TAPS-1	54
TAPS-2	55
RAPS-2	60*
MAPS-1	49
MAPS-2	47
NAPS-1	29
NAPS-2	40
KAPS-1	35
KAPS-2	69

* Upto 31 July, 1994 since RAPS-2 is under capital maintenance from 1 August, 1994.

(b) The steps taken for the optimal capacity utilisation of Nuclear Power Plants include enhanced inspection and modification of turbines and the formation of joint task force to tackle turbine generator problems; close interaction with the Central Electricity Authority and Regional Electricity Boards for improvements in the performance of the power grids to minimise outages due to grid problems; strengthening condition monitoring of equipment, outage management, preventive and predictive maintenance, spare parts planning and ongoing training of operating and maintenance personnel.

Railway Line

486. SHRI INDRAJIT GUPTA :
 SHRI LOKANATH CHOUDHURY :

Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state :

(a) whether the Government have allowed the private sector to develop the strategically important Daitari-Banspani Railway Line in Orissa;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) the funds allocated in the the Railway Budget for the construction of Sambalpur-Talchar and Banspani-Jangpura and doubling of Cuttack-Paradeep Railway line during the last three years and current financial year and the actual amount spent during these years;

(d) whether the spending is less than the Budget allocations for the above Railway Line; and

(e) if so, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI SURESH KALMADI) : (a) and (b). The work on the Daitari-Banspani line has been taken up with funding out of the allocation provided for New Lines out of Budgetary support. However, in view of the urgent need for the line as a result of the Steel Plants coming up in the area and the very limited availability of resources under the above head, early completion of the line with private participation is being explored.

(c) to (e). The information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the House.

[Translation]

Small Scale Industries

487. SHRI GUMAN MAL LODHA :
SHRI BRISHIN PATEL :
SHRI NITISH KUMAR :

Will the Minister of INDUSTRY be pleased to state :

(a) whether appropriate technology units are functioning under the Department of Small Scale Industries;

(b) if so, the names of places where these units are functioning alongwith their annual Budget;

(c) whether these units have developed some new tools on the basis of modern technology for rural artisans; and

(d) if so, the names of the new developed tools and the names or industries to which these are likely to be useful?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY (DEPARTMENT OF SMALL SCALE INDUSTRIES AND AGRO AND RURAL INDUSTRIES) (SHRI M. ARUNACHALAM) : (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The Unit is functioning only in the Department of Small Scale Industries and Agro and Rural Industries at New Delhi and the budget outlay for the year 1995-96 is Rs. 60.00 lakhs.

(c) and (d). The details of new technologies developed, with the financial assistance from the Appropriate Technology Unit for rural artisans, are given in the enclosed *Statement*.

STATEMENT

1. Yarn Making Machine (Coir, Sabaigrass, Moonj and Sunhemp)
2. Lacquerware Wooden Toys Making Machines
3. Akik Polishing Machine
4. Medicinal Plant Processing Machine
5. Bamboo product Making Machine
6. Looms for Shawl and Carpet Weaving
7. Equipments/Tools for Brass and Bell Metal Industry
8. Fuel Efficient Baking Oven
9. Plant for Processing Raw Turmeric
10. Papad Making Machine
11. Sugar Beet Processing Machine
12. Lock Manufacturing Equipments/Tools
13. Blue Pottery Kilns
14. Extraction Plant for Citronella Oil.

[English]

Accommodation to Staff of Political Parties

488. SHRI CHINMAYANAND SWAMI :
DR. RAMESH CHAND TOMAR :
SHRI DEVI BUX SINGH :
SHRI MANGAL RAM PREMI :

Will the Minister of URBAN AFFAIRS AND EMPLOYMENT be pleased to state :

(a) whether the staff of Parliamentary Party of Congress have been allotted residential accommodation of various categories from Government's pool on normal license fee;

(b) if so, the basis of allotment of the said quarters and details thereof;

(c) whether the staff of other recognised political parties in Parliament have not been allotted quarters on the above basis as yet;