Stoppage of Andha and Tamil Nadu Expresses

4702. SHRI RAMCHANDRA GHAN-GARE: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether there is a demand for providing a stoppage of Andhra and Tamil Nadu Expresses at Wardha East Station and reservation of some berths in these trains at the station:
- (b) ifso, whether the Government are consideing to meet the above demends; and
 - (c) if not, the reasons therefor?
 - (d) ifnot, the reasons therefor?

THEMINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI MAL-LIKARJUN): (a) Yes, Sir.

- (b) No, Sir.
- (c) Doesnot arise.
- (d) Lackof commercial justification.

Kota-Neemuch Line

4703. SHRI SURAJBHANU SOLANKI: Will the Ministe of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) the details regarding the works being undertaken for construction of Kota-Chittorgarh-Neemuch broad-gauge railway line;
- (b) whether the work isgoing on as per original schedule; and
 - (c) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI MAL-LIKARJUN): (a) to (c). Kota-Chittaurgarh-

Nimachh broad gauge line has already been completed and opened to traffic.

Latur road-Latur-Kurudwadi Rallway line

4704.SHRIMATI SURYAKANTA PATIL: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government have approved the laying of new railway line between Latur Road and Latur and conversion of existing narrow gauge line between Latur Road and Kurudwadi in to broad gauge;
- (b) if so, the reasons for delay in starting this work;
- (c) whether this line will also pass via Osmanabad; and
 - (d) ifso, the details tthereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI MAL-LIKARJUN): (a) to (d). The work of gauge conversion between Miraj-Latur is included in the action plan for gauge coversion and is likely to be taken up in the coming years, subject to availabiolity of resources. The extension ofline from Latur to Latur Road will be considered after conversion of the narrow gauge line.

Survey for considering possible change in alignment via Osmanabad has been taken up. Decision depends upon the results of the survey.

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Licences to Hawkers in Trains

4705. SHRI SURYA NARAYAN YADAV: SHRI RAM SHARAN YADAV: