

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government had taken a decision during 1991 to give licences to hawkers operating in trains;

(b) if so, the action taken so far in this regard and the total number of licences issued during 1991;

(c) the details regarding implementation of this decision during 1992-93; and

(d) if no licences have been issued, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI MALIKARJUN): (a) No, Sir.

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

(d) The issue has already been examined in depth and keeping in view a number of attendant problems, issuance of licences to unauthorised hawkers has not been found feasible.

[English]

Insurance Coverage of Passengers

4706. SHRI G. MADEGOWDA: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is any provision for insurance coverage for railway passengers like air passenger;

(b) if not, whether there is any proposal to introduce insurance coverage for railway passenger also;

(c) if so, the details thereof; and

(d) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE

MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI MALIKARJUN): (a) No, Sir.

(b) No, Sir.

(c) Does not arise.

(d) There is already provision of payment of a sum of Rs.2 lakhs in case of death or total disability and minimum of Rs.16,000/- to a maximum of Rs.1,80,000/- for various kinds of injuries under Railway Act, 1989.

[Translation]

Committee on Problems of Students in Navodaya Vidyalayas

4707. SHRI JANGBIR SINGH: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether any committee has been constituted in regard to the boarding, lodging and teaching problems of students in Navodaya Vidyalayas;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) the details of recommendations made by the committee; and

(d) the action proposed to be taken in this regard?

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

(b) to (d). Do not arise.

Samastipur-Darbhanga and Sakari-Hasanpur Railway lines

4708. SHRI BHOGENDRA JHA: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state the steps being taken by the Govern-