

- (iii) Mid-day meal
- (iv) Merit scholarship

for 1992-93 under 'Travelling Expenses including Air Travel' have been kept at Rs. 89.39 cr. as against Rs. 119.85 cr. projected.

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- (i) Free text-books and stationery
- (ii) Uniform cloth, wool, shoes, socks
- (iii) Mid-day meal
- (iv) Merit-cum-means scholarship
- (v) Cash incentives to SC/ST families
- (vi) Science Talent Scholarship to students

(b) and (c). During 1991-92 Rs. 117.62 cr. were incurred under this item. Expenditure incurred and savings achieved during 1992-93 will be available by the end of 1993.

[*Translation*]

#### Conversion of Chhapra-Aunrihar Line

4755. SHRI HARI KEWAL PRASAD: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government have approved the work of gauge conversion of Chhapra-Aunrihar railway line;

(b) if so, the extent to which the work has been completed;

(c) whether the work is behind the schedule; and

(d) if so, the reasons therefor?

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

(b) 23%.

(c) No, Sir.

(d) Does not arise.

[*English*]

#### Vocational Courses in Mass Communication

4756. SHRI MANORANJAN BHAKTA: SHRI GEORGE FERNANDES:

(b) and (c). The M.C.D. and N.D.M.C. have no such proposal under consideration.

#### Daily Allowance

4754. SHRI CHHEDI PASWAN: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government have decided to curtail 20 per cent expenditure in allowances payable on domestic and international visits by railway officials during the year 1992-93;

(b) if so, amount saved so far as a result thereof; and

(c) the total expenditure incurred on such visits during 1991-92 and during 1992 so far?

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