

*[English]***Indian Citizens In Bangladesh**

3978 SHRI AMAR ROY PRADHAN : Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state

(a) whether the matter in respect of allowing the Indian citizens living in Indian Enclaves in Bangladesh to cast their votes is Pending with the Government,

(b) if so, since when; and

(c) the time by which a final decision is likely to be taken in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI INDRAJIT GUPTA) : (a) to (c) There are 119 exchangeable enclaves in Bangladesh and 72 Bangladesh enclaves in India. As stipulated under the Indo-Bangladesh Land Boundary Agreement, 1974, the enclaves are to be exchanged between India and Bangladesh, without any claim of compensation. Neither side has been able to exercise control over its enclaves which are located in the other country. Exchange of enclaves has legal and constitutional implication which is linked with other outstanding issues pertaining to the 1974 Agreement such as transfer of adverse possessions, demarcation of boundary and ratification of the Agreement. The related issue of citizenship of the inhabitants of the enclaves has also to be decided. The Government has no administrative control or access to the enclaves lying within Bangladesh and hence extension of voting rights to the inhabitants has not been possible.

Performance of Foreign Aided Projects

3979 SHRI VIJAY GOEL : Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS be pleased to state :

(a) whether the Government have received complaints/reports against certain States in regard to the unutilisation/misutilisation of funds provided by the World Bank and other foreign agencies for various forestry projects and the dissatisfactory performance of such projects,

(b) if so, the details thereof,

(c) whether there is any effective machinery to oversee the performance of such projects,

(d) if so, the details thereof, and

(e) if not, the steps proposed to be taken by the Government to set up an effective mechanism in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS (CAPT. JAI NARAYAN PRASAD NISHAD) : (a) to (e). The overall progress under the on-going externally aided forestry projects funded by the World Bank, Swedish International Development Authority (SIDA), Overseas Economic Cooperation fund (OECF), Japan, Overseas Development Administration (ODA), (UK), Federal Republic of Germany (FRG) and European Economic Community (EEC) has been quite satisfactory.

The projects are monitored and reviewed periodically through Quarterly Progress Reports and regular review

mission of the donor agencies. In addition to this the progress of the projects are monitored in the Ministry through de-briefing meetings with donor agencies mission and officials of the concerned State Governments. To utilise the whole external assistance the extension of the project are sought from time to time.

*[Translation]***Harassment to Passengers**

3980 SHRI PAWAN DIWAN : Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state

(a) whether the passengers travelling by second class on the long distance trains are harassed by the daily passengers holding seasonal tickets; and

(b) if so, the action taken by the Government in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI SATPAL MAHARAJ) : (a) Some cases have come to notice.

(b) Apart from taking follow up action on specific complaints, surprise checks are organised frequently by Commercial and Vigilance Departments in close concert with RPF and GRP to apprehend persons travelling without proper authority. Action is taken against such people under provisions of Railways Act. Ticket checking activities are intensified in trains and sections which are found to be vulnerable.

Reservation Quota

3981 SHRI KASHI RAM RANA : Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state :

(a) whether despite the stoppage of August Kranti train at Valsad Station, tickets for Valsad are not sold for this train;

(b) if so, the reasons therefor; and

(c) the steps being taken to reserve a quota of berths for Valsad in this train?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI SATPAL MAHARAJ) : (a) to (c). The tickets at Valsad station are not being issued by August Kranti Rajdhani Express trains as no quota has been allotted at this station by this train. Instructions have now been issued to Northern and Western Railways to allot a reservation quota of 2 berths each in AC 2-tier and AC 3-tier and 4 seats in AC Chair Car at Valsad by 2953/2954 Nizamuddin-Mumbai Central August Kranti Rajdhani Express from the earliest possible date.

Fishing Harbours

3982 SHRI N.J. RATHVA :
SHRI A. SAMPATH :
SHRI S.D.N.R. WADIYAR :

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state :

(a) the number of fishing harbours in the country, State-wise;

(b) whether the proposal to set up some fishing harbours in some coastal States are pending with the Government;

(c) if so, the details thereof;

(d) the steps taken to clear those proposals; and

(e) the assistance provided by the Central Government to those harbours, State-wise?

THE MINISTER OF AGRICULTURE (EXCLUDING THE DEPARTMENT OF ANIMAL HUSBANDRY AND DAIRYING) (SHRI CHATURANAN MISHRA) : (a) and (e) A statement is enclosed

(b) No, Sir.

(c) and (d). Do not arise

STATEMENT

Sl No	State/U.T.	Number of fishing harbours completed	Assistance provided by the Central Govt. (Rs. in Lakhs)
1	Gujarat	3	1376.00
2	Maharashtra	1	1107.00
3	Karnataka	5	568.59
4	Kerala	4	2953.10
5	Tamil Nadu	7	1728.56
6	Andhra Pradesh	4	3608.59
7	Orissa	4	5188.30
8	West Bengal	3	1033.18
9	Andaman & Nicobar	1	67.00

[English]

Espionage Activities

3983. SHRI SURESH PRABHU : Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state :

(a) the number of persons arrested for espionage activities during the last three years, State-wise;

(b) the nationalities of those arrested; and

(c) the steps taken to curb such activities?

THE MINISTER OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI INDRAJIT GUPTA) : (a) and (b) A number of Indian and foreigners have been arrested for espionage activities during the last three years. However, it will not be in public interest to disclose more details in this regard.

(c) Government is alive to the situation and is taking all necessary steps to combat and frustrate the designs of such persons by sensitising and gearing up the intelligence machinery sharing of intelligence with State Governments and coordinated action by the concerned agencies of Central and State Governments

[Translation]

Heritage Train

3984. SHRI TARACHAND BHAGORA : Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state

(a) whether there is any scheme to introduce 'Heritage Train' on the line of 'Palace on Wheels'.

(b) if so, the areas of the country propose to be covered by this train;

(c) the progress regarding the pending 'Heritage Train Scheme for the Shekhawat area of Rajasthan.

(d) whether the Government propose to introduce 'new air conditioned tourist train' from Jodhpur-Jaisalmer, and

(e) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI SATPAL MAHARAJ) : (a) No, Sir

(b) Does not arise

(c) There is no such proposal under consideration

(d) No, Sir.

(e) Does not arise.

Indian Veterinary Research Institute

3985. SHRI S.P. JAISWAL : Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state :

(a) whether any project was started by the Indian Veterinary Research Institute in the Varanasi district of Uttar Pradesh; and

(b) if so, the aims and objectives of the project and its present position?

THE MINISTER OF AGRICULTURE (EXCLUDING THE DEPARTMENT OF ANIMAL HUSBANDRY AND DAIRYING) (SHRI CHATURANAN MISHRA) : (a) No, Sir. No project has been started by Indian Veterinary Research Institute in the Varanasi district of Uttar Pradesh.

(b) Does not arise.

[English]

Beautification of Stations

3986. SHRI DEVI BUX SINGH : Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state :