

THE MINISTER OF CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM (SHRI MADHAV RAO SCINDIA) : (a) to (c) Ministry of Tourism have reconsidered the decision to provide financial assistance for the construction of an all-weather jetty at Elephanta Caves as it was not found feasible to sanction an all-weather jetty at Elephanta due to the high cost of the project and the limited funds available with the Ministry.

[*Translation*]

RENOVATION OF STATIONS IN BIHAR

1060. **SHRI NAWAL KISHORE RAI** : Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state :

(a) whether the Government propose to renovate the Sitamarhi, Parasuni, Bajapatai and Janakpur Road stations; and

(b) if so, the details thereof ?

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

(b) Does not arise.

[*English*]

RAILWAY LINES FROM MADUBANI TO MUZAFFARPUR

1061. **SHRI NAWAL KISHORE RAI** : Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state :

(a) whether the Government propose to construct railway lines from Madhubani to Madhwapur, Bhithhamod, Sitamarhi via Muzaffarpur; and

(b) if so, when and if not, the reasons therefor ?

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

(b) **Constraint of resources.**

[*Translation*]

CONVERSION OF DHARBHANGA-NARKATIAGANJ RAILWAY LINE

1062. **SHRI NAWAL KISHORE RAI** : Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state :

(a) whether the condition of Dharbhanga-Narkatiaganj railway line in Bihar is in dilapidated condition;

(b) if so, whether the Government propose to convert this railway line into broad gauge; and

(c) if so, the time by which this work is likely to be started and the total expenditure to be incurred thereon ?

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

(b) No, Sir.

(c) Does not arise.

DEVELOPMENT OF TOURIST SPOTS IN UTTAR PRADESH

1063. **SHRI RAJVEER SINGH** : Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM be pleased to state :

(a) whether the State Government of Uttar Pradesh has approached the Union Government for financial assistance to develop new tourist spots and to beautify the existing ones to attract more tourists; and

(b) if so, the details thereof including the names of the places selected for the purpose ?

THE MINISTER OF CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM (SHRI MADHAV RAO SCINDIA) : (a) and (b) Development of Tourism infrastructure is primarily the responsibility of the State Governments. Ministry of Tourism extends financial assistance on the basis of specific proposals received from State Governments, availability of funds and inter-se priorities. During 1991-92, the Government of Uttar