Inter-City Train between Indore and Bhopal

1933. SHRIMATI SUMITRA MAHAJAN: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is any proposal for introducing inter-city train between Indore and Bhopal:

(b) if so, when it is likely to be started;

(c) whether there is proposal to run Awadh Express (Ratlam-Lucknow) from Indore; and

(d) if so, when?

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

(b) Does not arise.

(c) No. Sir.

(d) Does not arise.

Stoppage of New Rajdhani Express at Ratlam

1934. SHRIMATI SUMITRA MAHAJAN : Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is demand for providing stoppage of New Rajdhani Express at Ratlam; and

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

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI MALLIKARJUN): (a) and (b) Yes. Sir. There are demands for stoppage of 2953/2954 New Delhi-Bombay (tri-weekly) AC Express at Ratlam, but the same is not being provided as 2951/2952 New Delhi-Bombay Rajdhani Express (6 days a week) already stops there.

Release of LPG connections in Orissa

1935. SHRI ARJUN CHARAN SETHI: Will the Minister of PET-ROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state: (a) whether no new LPG connections have been released by the Hindustan Petroleum, Indian Oil Corporation and Bharat Petroleum in Orissa since April, 1990; and

(b) if so, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF PETROLE-UM AND NATURAL GAS (SHRI B. SHANKARANAND): (a) No Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

[English]

Improvement of Kapali Road Halt

1936. SHRI ARJUN CHARAN SETHI: Will the Minister of RAIL-WAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is any proposal to modernise the existing passenger facilities at Kapali Road halt on Khurda Road division;

(b) if so, the details thereof:

(c) whether there is also proposal to provide stoppage of more trains at this halt during the current year; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

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

(b) Does not arise.

(c) No, Sir.

(d) Does not arise.

Bridge at Jogighopa

1937. SHRI NURUL ISLAM : Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the work for construction of road-cum-rail bridge over Brahmaputra at Jogighopa Pancharatna has been delayed;

(b) if so, the reasons thereof and the time by which this work is likely to be completed? THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI MALLIKARJUN): (a) No. Sir.

(b) The work is targetted to be completed by December 1994.

Railway Link to Arunachal Pradesh

1938. SHRI NURUL ISLAM: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is a proposal for the extension of broadgauge line upto Arunachal Pradesh; and

(b) if so, the details thereof and the time by which this work will be started?

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

(b) Does not arise.

Contracts of Stalls to Unemployed Graduates

1939. SHRI NURUL ISLAM: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government propose to give priority to the young unemployed graduates in giving contracts of catering, vending and bookstalls under self-employment policy;

(b) if so, the number of such contracts given on stations in North Eastern region:

(c) whether the Government propose to formulate any new policy in order to give encouragement to the young unemployed graduates: and

Name of the Project

- Conversion of Manmad-Parbhani-Parli Vaijnath (354 km) (work of Phase-I viz. Manmad-Aurangabad (114 km) taken up.
- (2) Conversion of Parbhani-Purna, Mudkhed-Adilabad MG to BG & parallel BG line between Purna and Mudkhed.

(d) if so, the details thereof and the number of such requests pending with the Railways including that of Rewari Station?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI MALLIKARJUN) : (a) As per existing policy all new bookstall contracts have been reserved for unemployed graduates, their co-operatives, associations, etc. and co-operative societies of actual workers and vendors. In case of catering/vending contracts, there is no such reservation for unemployed graduates.

(b) Nine

(c) and (d) There is no proposal at present to change the policy. Moreover, no such list of pending requests for allotment of contracts is maintained. Only the applications received in response to Railway's advertisement are considered for allotment of contracts.

Conversion of Manmad-Adilabad and Miraj-Latur Lines

1940. SHRI ANNA JOSHI: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) the progress made so far in the conversion of Manmad-Aurangabad-Parli Vaijnath upto Adilabad, and Miraj-Latur narrow gauge railway lines into broad gauge; and

(b) when these projects are likely to be completed?

TH MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI MALLIKARJUN): (a) The progress made in the gauge conversion work is as under:—

% age progress as on 30-6-91

77.4%(Ph. I)

17%

(3) Conversion of Miraj-Latur NG to BG is not a sanctioned work.