

central to requirement of passengers.

(b) No, Sir.

(c) Quantum of traffic is meagre not justifying the halt.

Wheel and Axle Factory at Dahod

5529. SHRI SOMJIBHAI DAMOR: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is any proposal to install a second wheel and axle factory at Dahod; and

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

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

(b) Does not arise.

LPG Connections with IOC Dealers

5530. SHRI SOMJIBHAI DAMOR: Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state the reasons that the Indian Oil Corporation LPG dealers have large number of consumers registered with them in the country, particularly in Gujarat as compared to other oil companies' LPG dealers have?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF DEFENCE (SHRI S. KRISHAN KUMAR): The information is being collected and a statement would be laid on the Floor of the House.

[*Translation*]

Railway Yard on Raigarh Station, S.E. Railway

5531. SHRI BHAWANI LAL VERMA: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is any scheme for construction of a railway yard at Raigarh station of South Eastern Railway; and

(b) if so, the expenditure likely to be incurred thereon and the progress made in this regard so far?

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

(b) Does not arise.

[*English*]

Railway Lines in Andhra Pradesh

5532. SHRI DHARMABIKSHAM: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government of Andhra Pradesh have sent proposals to the Union Government for construction of new railway lines in the State;

(b) if so, the details thereof and the action being taken thereon; and

(c) the details of other railway lines being constructed in the State?

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

(b) Government of Andhra Pradesh have

recommended following new railway line projects:-

- (1) Peddapally-Karimnagar, Akana-pet-Sangareddy-Patancheru and Sangareddy-Sadasivpet Road.
- (2) Naizamabad-Ramagundam (via) Jagtial & Uppal-Jagtial (via) Karimnagar.
- (3) Nandyala-Yerraguntla
- (4) Gudur-Macherla (via) Vinukonda, Kanigiri & Atmakur
- (5) Vikarabad - Krishna
- (6) Raichur - Macherla
- (7) Nidubrolu - Nizampatnam
- (8) Tirupati - Pakala conversion and Pakala-Katpadi Parallel BG line.
- (9) Kakinada - Kotipalli
- (10) Raidurg - Hindupur

Surveys for items (1) to (9) listed above have already been carried out by the South Central Railway and these projects have been found to be financially unremunerative. Survey for Raichur - Hindupur new BG line has not been conducted.

(c) Work on (1) Telapur-Patancheru (9 km) and (ii) Adilabad-Pimpalkutty (21 km) partly in Maharashtra has been taken up and these sections are expected to be commissioned by 31.3.92.

Proposal for New Rajdhani Express

5553. SHRI ANNA JOSHI: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is any proposal to

introduce a new Rajdhani Express from Delhi to Pune;

(b) if so, when it will be introduced; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor?

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

(b) Does not arise.

(c) Presently not feasible due to operational constraints and acute shortage of requisite type of coaches and locomotives.

Expansion of Pune Station

5534. SHRI ANNA JOSHI: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS pleased to state:-

(a) whether there is any proposal to expand the platform of Pune station and to increase the length of present shed there; and

(b) if so, the time by which the proposal is likely to be implemented?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI MALIKARJUN): (a) and (b). Work of extension of platform No. 2 at Pune will be included in the future works programme of the railway depending upon the availability of funds and relative needs of other stations. There is no proposal to extend the platform shelters.

Airports in Maharashtra

5535. SHRI ANNA JOSHI: Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM be pleased to state:

(a) the names of places where the