

about 254 K.M. of metre gauge and in Gujarat about 230.84 K.M. of broad gauge and 64.40 K.M. of metre gauge railway lines have been approved for construction during the Third Plan and nothing has been opened to traffic so far.

#### Carbonisation Plant with Singraoli Coal

228. { **Shri Vidya Charan Shukla:**  
**Shri Uikey:**  
**Shri Hukam Chand Kachhavaia:**  
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**Shri Surya Prasad:**  
**Shri R. S. Tiwary:**  
**Shri J. P. Jyotishi:**

Will the Minister of Steel and Mines be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Central Government are re-considering the establishment of a low temperature carbonisation plant based on Singraoli coal; and

(b) if so, whether the allocation of the plant in the Singraoli areas of Madhya Pradesh, in the light of the decision of Government, is being considered regarding integrated development of resources in Siddhi district which covers the Singraoli area in Madhya Pradesh?

**The Minister of Steel and Mines (Shri Sanjiva Reddy):** (a) and (b). The possibility of setting up a low temperature carbonisation plant based on Singraoli coal is under examination. Bulk samples of coal have been sent to the Central Fuel Research Institute for laboratory tests. It is too early to state what the final outcome in regard to this project would be.

#### Pulp Manufacturing Plant

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Will the Minister of Industry and Supply be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government are considering a proposal to set up a pulp manufacturing plant in the Fourth Five Year Plan period in the public sector; and

(b) if so, whether they will consider the allocation of such plant to Baster district in Madhya Pradesh where there are areas of forest endowed with rich bamboo resources?

**The Deputy Minister in the Ministry of Industry and Supply (Shri Bibudhendra Misra):** (a) and (b). All relevant data on the subject is being collected and, on its collation, a decision will be taken.

#### Pilferage on Railways

**230. Shrimati Ramdulari Sinha:** Will the Minister of Railways be pleased to state:

(a) the approximate amount of the total loss of electrical and mechanical fittings on account of damage and pilferage per month on all the Railways in 1963-64; and

(b) the steps taken to prevent such damage and loss and the success achieved thereby?

**The Minister of State in the Ministry of Railways (Dr. Ram Subhag Singh):** (a) The approximate loss of Electrical and Mechanical fittings on all the Railways works out to Rs. 2,71,127 on an average per month.

(b) A statement showing the necessary preventive measures taken by the Railway Administrations in this connection is laid on the Table of the House. [Placed in Library. See No.