

(ख) इस कारखाने में 1966 तक उत्पादन और पुर्जों को जोड़ने का कार्य शुरू हो जाने की आशा है। इसकी कुल अनुमानित लागत लगभग 247 लाख रु० है। स्वीडन की फर्म के साथ हुए सहयोग समझौते के अनुसार उन्हें तकनीकी जानकारी प्रदान करनी है। पूंजीगत माल तथा उपकरणों के आयात के खर्च को पूरा करने के लिए एक सम्भरण-कर्ता ऋण के लिए पत्र व्यवहार चल रहा है।

#### **Jhansi-Sawai Madhopur Rail Line**

1110. **Shri Parashar:** Will the Minister of Railways be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is any proposal for laying a broad-gauge railway line between Jhansi and Sawai Madhopur; and

(b) if so, when the survey of this project is likely to be undertaken?

**The Deputy Minister in the Ministry of Railways (Shri Sham Nath):**

(a) No.

(b) Does not arise.

#### **Railway Electrification Projects**

1111. { **Shri Indrajit Gupta:**  
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Will the Minister of Railways be pleased to state:

(a) when the various railway electrification projects are likely to be completed;

(b) whether the Eastern and South-Eastern Railway authorities have engaged some contractors for the project works;

(c) if so, the reasons therefor; and

(d) whether it is a fact that no increases in wages and rates have been sanctioned for Railway Electrification Project workers since 1958?

**The Deputy Minister in the Ministry of Railways (Shri Sham Nath):**

(a) A statement is laid on the Table of the House. [*Placed in Library, see No. LT-3988/65*].

(b) The electrification works on the Eastern and South Eastern Railways are being executed by the Railway Electrification Organisation and the said organisation has given works on contract.

(c) Being in the nature of a specialised project work it was let on contract for expeditious execution.

(d) No. The class III and Class IV railway servants have been given increases in pay and allowances according to the II Pay Commission's recommendations. The wages of casual workers have been increased from time to time to fall in line with the local prevailing rates.

#### **Kunzru Committee**

1112. **Shri A. P. Sharma:** Will the Minister of Railways be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government's attention has been drawn to the observation made by the Kunzru Committee regarding the unwieldy size of the present Northern and Western Railways and making it administratively difficult to be managed efficiently; and

(b) if so, the steps Government have taken or propose to take in this respect?

**The Minister of State in the Ministry of Railways (Dr. Ram Subhag Singh):**

(a) The Kunzru Committee commented that the workload on the Northern, Southern and Central Railways appears to be more than a normal zonal administration is in a position to cope with and referred to the "increasing traffic" and further prospective increases. The Committee suggested an expert study by the Railway Board of this subject. There was no reference to Western Railway in this context.

(b) The Efficiency Bureau of the Railway Board is keeping and will continue to keep the workload on