

**Attaching of third class sleeper coaches  
with trains running from Mangalore  
to Madras**

134. SHRI CHANDRA SNEKHAR SINGH : Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state :

(a) whether no third class sleeper coach for Delhi, Bombay or Howrah is attached with the trains running from Bangalore to Madras; and

(b) if so, the reasons thereof ?

THE MINISTER OF RAILWAYS (SHRI K. HANUMANTHAIYA) : (a) One IIIrd class sleeper coach runs between Mangalore and Bombay Between Mangalore and Delhi, a composite 1st-cum-IIIrd class coach runs 5 days a week. No through coach runs between Mangalore and Howrah.

(b) Composite 1st-cum-IIIrd class coaches do not have IIIrd sleeper accommodation, and there is not adequate traffic for a full sleeper coach, hence no IIIrd sleeper coach runs between Mangalore and Delhi and Mangalore and Howrah.

**Through trains from West Bengal Assam  
and Bihar to Bangla Desh**

135. DR. RANEN SEN : Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state :

(a) whether Government have any proposal to run through trains from West-Bengal, Assam and Bihar connecting important stations like Calcutta, Gauhati, Silguri, Barauni and others with important cities and towns of Bangla Desh; and

(b) if so, the main features thereof ?

THE MINISTER OF RAILWAYS (SHRI K. HANUMANTHAIYA) : (a) No.

(b) Does not arise.

**Setting up Jute Community between  
India and Bangla Desh**

136. DR. RANEN SEN ;  
SHRI B. V. NAIK :

Will the Minister of FOREIGN TRADE

be pleased to state :

(a) whether there is a proposal to form a jute community between India and Bangla Desh to regulate the entire jute export of the two countries; and

(b) if so, an outline thereof ?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF FOREIGN TRADE (SHRI A. C. GEORGE) : (a) No such proposal has taken shape.

(b) Does not arise.

**Damage to Railways in Gujarat State due  
to Indo-Pak War**

137. SHRI PRABHUDAS PATEL :

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state

(a) the total damage caused to the Railways in Gujarat State in the last Indo-Pak war; and

(b) the steps taken to repair the damage ?

THE MINISTER OF RAILWAYS (SHRI K. HANUMANTHAIYA) : (a) Minor damages to Rs. 30/- only were caused.

(b) Damages being minor were got repaired departmentally.

**Effect of Maharashtra Power Famine  
on Gujarat**

138. SHRI PRABHUDAS PATEL : Will the Minister of IRRIGATION AND POWER be pleased to state :

(a) whether Gujarat was greatly hit by Maharashtra power famine in February, 1972;

(b) if so, whether this unprecedented power famine has affected both industry and agriculture in Gujarat very seriously;

(c) whether the Gujarat Government have thrown all the blame on the Centre for its antipathy towards the issue; and