

and Whole-time Directors under the Companies Act during the last three years i.e. from 1-1-1970 to 31-12-1972

(b) Information is being collected and will be laid on the table of the House

Better Sanitation and Lighting arrangements for passenger Train on Burdwan-Katwa and Ahmedpur Katwa Routes (Eastern Railway)

9613 SHRI GADADHAR SAHA Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state

(a) whether there is lack of proper lighting arrangement and sanitation programme in passenger trains on Burdwan Katwa and Ahmedpur-Katwa (Narrow gauge line) sections on eastern railway,

(b) whether trains run at night with very little or no light arrangement and sanitation programmes are not maintained in respect of cleanliness of Railway compartments and latrines in trains and if so what concrete measures are being taken to provide these facilities to the passengers for safe and comfortable journey and

(c) whether all the trains on these sections are over-crowded and passengers are constrained to sit on the roof of the trains for their journey and passenger with first class ticket travel standing for lack of accommodation in first class compartment and if so what arrangements are being made for providing adequate accommodation to all passengers?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI MOHD SHAFI QURESHI) (a) and (b) Adequate arrangements exist for providing proper sanitary conditions in these trains. To improve dim lights in these trains, unequipped coaches are being equipped with dynamos and cells.

(c) to relieve over-crowding, one pair of additional train is being introduced between Burdwan and Katwa with effect from 10-5-73 with diesel rail cars.

Late running of BAK Shuttles on Ahmedpur Katwa Section

9614 SHRI GADADHAR SAHA Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state

(a) whether Train No BAK Shuttles (1, 2, 3), 10 AK Mixed (1, 2, 3) and 6 AK Mixed (1,2,3) scheduled to reach Katwa JN at 12.53, 15.50 and 9.30 respectively never reach station at the appointed time and always run late and are always detained at Arbalgram station for about one hour and lots inconveniences is caused to passenger for Katwa and Burdwan who have to change for the Katwa-Burdwan (narrow gauge) line for 8 BK Mixed (1,2,3) and 10 BK Mixed (1,2,3), and

(b) if so, what measures have been taken to regularise the trains so that the passengers for 8 BK 10 BK Mixed (1,2,3) might avail them selves of the trains and to avoid detention of the said trains at Arbalgram station on Ahmedpur Katwa (narrow gauge)?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI MOHD SHAFI QURESHI) (a) and (b) Punctuality performance of these trains during January to March 1973 has not been satisfactory mainly due to chain pulling. The percentage of the maintenance of the authorised connection between 10 AK and 10 LK at Katwa ranged from 44 to 52 during January to March, 1973. Instructions have been issued to the concerned officials to keep it up which, take up avoidible detention and improve the running of these trains.

Electrification of villages in Rajasthan

9615 SHRI M C DAGA Will the Minister of IRRIGATION AND POWER be pleased to state

(a) the total number of villages electrified in Rajasthan, District wise as on the 31st March 1973, as also the number of villages which have not been electrified so far,

(b) the number of villages proposed to be electrified during the financial year 1973-74, District-wise, and

(c) how long would it take to electrify all the villages in Pali and Udaipur?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF IRRIGATION AND POWER (SHRI BALGOVIND VERMA)

(a) and (b). The information in regard to the number of villages electrified in