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693.	Smt. Shanti Devi	Pahar Ganj-New	1.2.88	
694.	Smt. Neelam	Chandarshekhar Azad Colon	y 1.2.88	
695.	Smt. Laxmi Chand	Barah Hindu Rao	12.2.88	
696.	Smt. Nirmala Devi	Gudwa-I	15.2.88	
697.	Smt. Mukesh	Mantola I,II	10.4.88	

# [Translation]

#### Pollution around Bokaro

3350. SHRI BARE LAL JATAV: Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the attention of Government has been drawn to the newsitem captioned "vishakt ho chuka hei Bokaro va iske aspass ka paryavaran" appearing in the Rashtriya Sahara dated February 13, 1992:
  - (b) if so, the facts thereof; and
- (c) the steps being taken by the Government in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS (SHRI KAMAL NATH): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) and (c). The Chandrapura thermal power plant and the Bokaro Steel Plant have been operating without appropriate pollution control equipment thereby causing excessive pollution in the area. Orders

have already been placed to provide the six generating units of the Chandrapura thermal power station with the required pollution control devices. Steps have been initiated by the Bokaro Steel Plant to comply with the standards within a stipulated time-frame.

# [English]

# New Compartments in Long Distance Trains

3351. SHRI DATTATRAYA BANDARU: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government have decided to attach new compartments with cushioned seats in long distance trains for the convenience of the communiters;
  - (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) the number of such coaches to be attached to East Coast Express?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI MAL-LIKARJUN): (a) and (b). As far as possible,

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new and cushioned sleeper coaches are being attached on long distance Mail/Express trains and second class coaches on intercity day time express trains.

(c) The rakes of East Coast Express are already having 19 such coaches.

# Coversion of Guwahati-Tinsukia Section

SHRI BALIN KULI: 3352. SHRI PROBIN DEKA:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether there is any proposal to convert the metre-gauge line into broadgauge from Guwhati to Tinsukia:
  - (b) if so, the details thereof; and
  - (c) if not, the reasons therefor?

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

- (b) Conversion of Guwhati-Tinsukia section is included in the Action Plan for gauge conversion taken up by the Railways. Conversion of Guwhati-Lumding subsection (181 Km) has been included in the Railway Budget for 1992-93.
  - (c) Does not arise.

### Terminal Facilities at Guwahati

3353. SHRI UDDHAB BARMAN: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether therminal facilities for broadgauge trains in guwahati are inadequate;
  - (b) if so, whether there is any plan to

construct more terminal facilities there; and

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(c) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI MAL-LIKARJUN): (a) Terminal facilities at guwahati are adequate for the maintenance of existing trains.

(b) and (c). Work of Guwahati-New Guwahati-Augmentation of terminal facilities Phase-I at an estimated cost of Rs. 62.04 lakhs is targetted for completion in 1992-93. An auxillary freight terminal at Jhalukbari near Guwahati has also been planned and land being acquired.

### Mai-Nutrition

3354. SHRI V.S. VIJAYARAGHAVAN: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

- (a) the number of people in India affected by mal-nutrition related diseases in 1991, state-wise:
- (b) the regions where they are mainly concentrated:
- (c) whether the Union Government have assessed the exact nature of mal-nutrition among the population; and
- (d) the measures taken by the Government to combat this menace?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI D.K. THARADEVI SIDDHARTHA): (a) According to surveys conducted by National Nutrition Monitoring Bureau (NNMB) in the States of Andhra Pradesh, Gujarat, Karnataka, Kerala, Maharashtra, Madhya Pradesh, Tamil Nadu, Orissa, Uttar Pradesh and West Bengal.