

to (c). The Planning Commission who had recently been approached with a number of proposals for laying new rail links including Apta-Dasgaon have not agreed for taking up the proposed rail link at present. The proposal will be examined further after the results of the Traffic Survey and financial appraisal which is proposed to be carried out during the current financial year are known.

**Funds for Bombay Metropolitan Railway Transport Project**

2118. SHRI RAJA KULKARNI: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have finally decided to clear the Bombay Metropolitan Railway Transport Project, for completion during the Fifth Five Year Plan; and

(b) how much funds have been sanctioned for construction of important parts of the truncated sixth corridor of this Metropolitan Project during 1976-77 and what progress has been made thereafter?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI BUTA SINGH): (a) Not yet.

(b) The Planning Commission are still examining these proposals.

**Revision of Examination Scheme for Combined Engineering Services and Electronics Engineering Services**

2119. SHRI SUKHDEO PRASAD VERMA: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Union Public Service Commission has revised the examination scheme for the combined engineering services and the electronics engineering services; and

(b) if so, the main features thereof and the time by which it is likely to come into force?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI BUTA SINGH): (a) Yes, in respect of all groups of Engineering Services.

(b) The revision pertains to the written test in Engineering subjects. From the 1977 examination onwards, candidates will be examined in 5 "core subjects" instead of in any 7 out of 10 to 12 specialised subjects as at present.

**Railway Line from Fort Market to Ravalj Camp**

2120. SHRI VASANT SATHE: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether a proposal for construction of a rail line from Fort Market to Ravalj Camp has been submitted by the Railway Board to the Planning Commission for its approval;

(b) if so, the salient features thereof and the reaction of the Commission thereto; and

(c) if the proposal is not cleared, how soon a decision in the matter is likely to be taken?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI BUTA SINGH): (a) Yes.

(b) and (c). The first phase of Corridor 6 was proposed as a new pair of lines about 1½ Kms. long from Raoli Jn. on the Harbour Branch of the Central Railway to a new terminal at Fort Market, together with a railway flyover at Bandra to connect the Harbour Branch of the Central Railway to the slow lines of the Western Railway. This work was estimated to cost Rs. 67.21 crores at the April '74 price level.

A Study Group was set up by the Planning Commission to examine this proposal and the scheme is still under consideration

### रेलवे डाक सेवा के डिब्बों की स्थिति

2121. श्री रामाचतार शास्त्री: क्या रेल मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या पंजाब मेल तथा दूसरी तेज गाड़ियों में लगने वाले रेलवे डाक सेवा के डिब्बों की स्थिति बहुत दयनीय है ,

(ख) क्या रेलवे डाक सेवा, पटना के कर्मचारियों की यूनियन ने इस बारे में सम्बन्धित अधिकारियों की लिखित रूप में शिकायत की है ; और

(ग) यदि हा, तो उस पर सरकार ने क्या कार्यवाही की है ?

रेल मंत्रालय में उपमन्त्री (श्री बूटा सिंह):  
(क) डाक यान की दशा शोचनीय है ।

(ख) अभी हाल में रेल प्रशासन को ऐसी कोई शिकायत मिली प्रतीत नहीं होती ।

(ग) लेकिन हम कुछ गतायु डिब्बों को बदलने के प्रस्ताव पर विचार कर रहे हैं ।

### Railways "Holiday Homes"

2122 SHRI SUKHDEO PRASAD VERMA Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state

(a) the names of the cities where Railways are having Holiday Homes,

(b) the names of Departments other than Railways, whose officers and staff are eligible to stay in these Holiday Homes and

(c) the time taken on an average for providing facilities in these Holiday Homes to officers of various categories?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI BUTA SINGH): (a) A Statement is attached giving names of places where Holiday Homes are located

(b) The non-Gazetted Central Government employees of other Ministries/departments are eligible for allotment of railway Holiday Homes if accommodation is available after meeting the requirements of railway staff Gazetted Officers of other Ministries/Departments are not eligible for such allotments of Holiday Homes meant for Gazetted Officers of the railway

(c) Applications for allotment are made six to eight weeks in advance of the date from which allotment is required. Allotment of accommodation are made on first-cum-first serve' basis. As such no indication can be given regarding the average time taken to provide accommodation to the employees

### Statement

- 1 Mussoorie (Northern Railway)
- 2 Shillong
- 3 Simla
- 4 Pahalgam
- 5 Sunagar
- 6 Lonavla
- 7 Ma neran
- 8 Igatpuri
- 9 Puri (Eastern Railway)
- 10 Bardhaman
- 11 Rajgarh
- 12 Bangalore
- 13 Bandra (Bombay)
- 14 Courtallam
- 15 Madurai
- 16 Mysore
- 17 Coonoor
- 18 Ranchi
- 19 Nainital
- 20 Mussoorie (Eastern Railway)