

9. *Western Railway*.— 48 railway employes were found involved in theft/pilferage cases during 1976-77 & were prosecuted.

कलोल-विजयपुर लाइन (पश्चिम रेलवे) के स्टेशनों पर कर्मचारियों के लिये पीने के पानी की व्यवस्था

5755. श्री चौधरी मोती भाई आर० : क्या रेल मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि पश्चिम रेलवे में कलोल विजयपुर रेलवे लाइन पर लीवाद्रो तथा मकारवाड़ रेल स्टेशनों पर रेल कर्मचारियों के पीने के पानी की क्या व्यवस्था की गई है और कितने वर्षों से ऐसी व्यवस्था नहीं है तथा इसके क्या कारण हैं और व्यवस्था कब तक कर दी जायेगी ।

रेल मंत्री (प्रो० मधु दंडवते) : लिम्बोदरा स्टेशन पर रेल कर्मचारियों को पानी की सप्लाई ग्राम पंचायत से पानी लेकर की जाती है । मकारवाड़ रेलवे स्टेशन पर कर्मचारियों को पानी की सप्लाई समीप के स्टेशन से जहां पानी उपलब्ध है, से सहायक टंकियों में पानी लाकर की जाती है । इस समय ये प्रबन्ध संतोषजनक समझे जाते हैं ।

Expansion of Railway Network in Orissa

5756. SHRI M. RAM GOPAL REDDY: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Orissa Government has urged the Centre to expedite the expansion of railway networks in the State; and

(b) if so, the decision of the Government thereon?

THE MINISTER OF RAILWAYS (PROF. MADHU DANDAVATE):

(a) Yes.

(b) Construction of a new railway line from Jakhapura to Banspani has been approved and construction

of the first phase from Jakhapura to Daitari is in progress.

Surveys for construction of the following railway lines have been included in this year's budget:

(1) New broad gauge line from Talcher to Sambalpur.

(2) New broad gauge line from Koraput to Parvatipuram.

The following surveys were made in Orissa during the last five/six years:

(1) Talcher-Bimlagarh BG rail link.

(2) Rupsa-Talband Conversion from NG to BG.

(3) Jakhapura-Banspani BG rail link.

Termination of Train Services at Sabarmati Station due to Closure of Sabarmati Bridge

5757. PROF. P. G. MAVALANKAR: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Sabarmati Railway Bridge is closed on account of the conversion of the metre-gauge into the broad gauge;

(b) if so when was the said work started and when will it be completed and at what estimated cost;

(c) whether the said closure has resulted in termination of several trains at Sabarmati Railway station instead of at Ahmedabad Railway station as earlier;

(d) if so, the full facts thereof; and

(e) the steps being taken to ensure the minimum possible inconvenience to daily commuters on these lines?

THE MINISTER OF RAILWAYS (PROF. MADHU DANDAVATE):

(a) and (b). Sabarmati Railway bridge has not been closed on account