

| (b) <i>Name of Plant.</i> | <i>Location</i> | Indian Railways. Safety is however being ensured by adequate maintenance inputs. |
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| (i) Durgapur Steel Plant. (Public Sector) | Durgapur. | (b) 702 kms. of track in Andhra Pradesh is proposed for replacement in 1985-86. |
| (ii) Tata Iron & Steel Co. (Private Sector) | Tatanagar. | |
| (iii) Wheel & Axle Plant, Bangalore (Railway Undertaking) | Bangalore. | |
| (c) No, Sir. | | |
| (d) Does not arise. | | |

[Translation]**Regularisation of Services of Gangmen in Railways**

5021. SHRI RAM PUJAN PATEL : Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state :

(a) the number of Gangmen in the Railways who have been working for more than two years and whose services have not been regularised ; and

(b) the reasons for not regularising their services ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI MADHAVRAO SCINDIA) : (a) and (b) Information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the Sabha.

[English]**Collaboration with U. K. in Railway Computerisation Programme**

5022. SHRI MAHENDRA SINGH : Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that in response to request from Indian Railways the UK has made an offer for collaboration in the railway computerisation programme ;

(b) if so, the details thereof ; and

(c) the reaction of Government thereto ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI MADHAVRAO SCINDIA) : (a) to (c) Indian Railways had invited bids from Transmark and Canac, the consultancy wings of British Rail and Canadian National Railway respectively for consultancy services in setting up the central segment of Indian Railways Freight Operations Information

Rail Line Cuddapah-Pudugupadu

5019. SHRI P. PENCHALLIAH : Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that the proposal for construction of a new line from Pudugupadu to Cuddapah in Andhra Pradesh is pending for a long time ; and

(b) if so, the progress so far made in this regard ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI MADHAVRAO SCINDIA) : (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

Replacement of railway tracks in Andhra Pradesh

5020. SHRI P. PENCHALLIAH : Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that railway tracks in Andhra Pradesh are very old and call for immediate replacement in the interest of safe journey ; and

(b) if so, the details of the track that is being taken up for replacement in Andhra Pradesh ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI MADHAVRAO SCINDIA) : (a) There are tracks due renewal in Andhra Pradesh too, similar to the position obtaining on all