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[Translations]

Railway crossing at Safedabad

5794. SHRI KAMLA PRASAD RAWAT: Will the Minister of RAIL-WAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Government are aware that in the absence of Railway crossing on the side of canal at Safedabad in district Barabanki in Uttar Pradesh accidents take place quite often;
- (b) if so, whether Government propose to construct a railway crossing at Safedabad; and
 - (c) if not, the reasons thereof?

THE MINISTER OF RAILWAYS (SHRI BANSILAL): (a) No. Sir. There is an unmanned level crossing No. 180—A at Km. 1073/11-12 by the side of Safedabad Canal for the use of Canal Authorities and two manned level crossing No. 180 at Km. 1073/3 and level crossing No. 181 at Km. 1074/2-3 for the use of public.

(b) and (c) As per extant rules, the proposal for a new level crossing is required to be sponsored by State Government/Local Authority with an undertaking to bear its initial and recurring cost. Railways have not yet received any such proposal

[English]

Thefts and pilferage at Calcutta Port

5795. SHRI BIMAL KANTI GHOSH: Will the Minister of SHI-PPING AND TRANSPORT be pleased to state:

- (a) whether there has been improvement regarding the problem of thefts and pilferage at Calcutta Port during 1984-85 as compared to the previous year:
 - (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) the value of stolen property recovered by the Police during 1984-85

as compared to the value of properties recovered in the previous year?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF SHIPPING AND TRANSPORT (SHRI Z.R. ANSARI): (a) to (c) There has been considerable reduction in the number of thefts and pilferages at Calcutta Port during 1984-85 as compared to the previous year. The details of incidents and value of property stolen and recovered are as under:—

(Rs. in lakh)

Year		Value of property stolen	Value of Property recove- red
1983-84	391	15.7	15.4
1984-85	227	3.2	2.6

[Translation]

Construction of pedestrain bridge at Muzasfar Nagar Railway Station

5796. SHRI DHARAMVIR SINGH: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Government are aware that the passengers of Muzaffar Nagar, a thickly populated city of Western Uttar Pradesh, have to face great difficulties and also meet with accidents while crossing the railway line near the Muzaffar Nagar Railway Station;
- (b) whether Government propose to construct a pedestrain bridge at Muzaffar Nagar Railway Station keeping in view the public interest; and
 - (c) if so, by what time?

THE MINISTER OF RAILWAYS (SHRI BANSI LAL): (a) A foot over-bridge at the station connecting platforms for the use of passengers and a road over bridge on the north end and level crossing on the south end of station has been provided for the use of public to cross the railway tracks.