

**Shortage of Wagons for Transportation
of Chalk Powder**

4285. SHRI LALA RAM KEN : Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state :

(a) whether Government have received representations from the Amritsar Rubber and General Industries Association, Amritsar and the Paints Manufacturers Association, Amritsar regarding acute shortage of wagons from Porbandar to Punjab for the transportation of chalk powder;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether Government have taken any action in the matter in view of the non-availability of chalk powder to small scale industries;

(d) if so, the details thereof; and

(e) if not, the reasons therefor and when the wagons are proposed to be allotted for transportation of Chalk Powder to Punjab, Haryana and Himachal Pradesh ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI MADHAVRAO SCINDIA): (a) and (b). Yes, Sir. Representations were received from these Associations in March '85 requesting for allotment of wagons for movement of Chalk Powder from Porbandar to destinations in Punjab.

(c) and (d). The traffic in question is being offered in piecemeal. In Porbandar area, there are other competing demands for block rakes of Soda Ash, Cement etc. Block rakes get loaded preferentially. To the extent possible, the Railways also try to clear piecemeal demands by clubbing them into block rakes direction wise. One such rake of Chalk Powder was loaded for Amritsar on 22/23.3.85 ex. Porbandar. In addition, 58 wagons were loaded ex. Ranavav to destinations in Punjab during March '85. As on 17.4.85, only 58 demands were outstanding, all in piecemeal.

(e) In view of reply to part (c) and (d) above, this does not arise.

Central School at Ghazipur

4286. SHRI ZAINUL BASHER : Will the Minister of EDUCATION be pleased to state :

(a) whether Government Opium and Alkoloid Works, Ghazipur have approached Government for the opening of a Kendriya Vidyalaya at their premises, offering necessary facilities for a Kendriya Vidyalaya there; and

(b) if so, whether the Vidyalaya is going to be opened by July, 1985 ?

THE MINISTER OF EDUCATION (SHRI K.C. PANT) : (a) and (b). A request for opening a Kendriya Vidyalaya at Ghazipur was received from the Chief Controller, Government Opium and Alkoloid Factories, who was apprised of the norms and criteria for opening a new Kendriya Vidyalaya.

Proposals for opening new Kendriya Vidyalayas are considered by the Kendriya Vidyalaya Sangathan when received from an appropriate sponsoring authority in the prescribed manner. No such proposal has so far been received by the Kendriya Vidyalaya Sangathan for opening a new Kendriya Vidyalaya at Ghazipur.

**Allocation of funds for Railway works
in Karnataka.**

4287. SHRI NARSINGRAO SURYA-WANSHI : Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that the President of Rail Development Construction Action Committee, Karnataka has urged the Prime Minister to allot full/sufficient funds to States as all the railway development works were at standstill due to meagre fund allotments; and

(b) if so, the action taken by Government in the matter ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI MADHAVRAO SCINDIA) : (a) and (b). No letter from the President of the Rail Development Construction Action Commit-