

**Bringing of Katihar—Jogbani under
N. E. Railway Administration**

+1360. SHRI D. L. BAITHA :
Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be
pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that Barauni-Katihar, Purnea-Saharsa, Forbesganj Supaul-Saharsa and some other sections are in the North Eastern Railways while Katihar-Jogbani Section is in the North-East Frontier Railway ;

(b) whether it is also a fact that the trains running in Barauni-Katihar, Katihar Purnea Saharsa, Purnea Banmankhi Jankinagar Saharsa, Forbesganj Supaul Saharsa and other sections on North Eastern Railway start from and terminate at Katihar, Purnea and Forbesganj, which come under the administration of North East Frontier Railway, resulting in several administrative difficulties ;

(c) if so, whether Government propose to bring Katihar-Jogbani Section under the administration of North Eastern Railway ; and

(d) if not, the reasons therefor ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN
THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS
(SHRI MADHAV RAO SCINDIA) :

(a) Yes, sir.

(b) It is a fact that trains running to and from North Eastern Railway on the sections mentioned in this part start from and terminate at Katihar and Forbesganj. No train starts or terminates at Purnea. There is however, no operational and administrative difficulty in this arrangement.

(c) and (d) There is no proposal to transfer Katihar-Jogbani Section from Northeast Frontier Railway to North Eastern Railway, since there is no difficulty in the present arrangement.

[English]

Banglore-Miraj B. G. Rail Line

1361. SHRI V. S. KRISHNA
IYER : Will the Minister of RAIL-
WAYS be pleased to state ;

(a) when the Banglore-Miraj board gauge line work is likely to be completed ;

(b) the amount required to lay this line ;

(c) whether Government are aware that a board gauge Railway line between Miraj-Bombay has already been laid ; and

(d) the reasons for delay in completing Bangalore-Miraj broad gauge railway line ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN
THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS
(SHRI MADHARAO SCINDIA) :

(a) There is at present no proposal to take up the construction of a new BG line or conversion of the MG section between Bangalore and Miraj.

(b) Does not arise.

(c) Yes, Sir.

(d) In view of the high cost of conversion, severe constraint of resources and heavy commitments already in hand it is not possible to consider this proposal at this stage.

**Making Goa Self Sufficient in Power
Generation**

1362. SHRI EDUARDO FALEIRO:
Will the Minister of IRRIGATION
AND POWER be pleased to state :

(a) whether Government are aware that the people of Goa are suffering enormously in their overall economic development because the territory is almost entirely dependent on power supply from the neighbouring States and these States very often fail to honour their commitments ;

(b) what steps do Government contemplate to improve this state of affairs ; and

(c) whether Government propose to take measures to make that territory self-sufficient in power generation ?

THE MINISTER OF IRRIGATION
AND POWER (SHRI B.
SHANKARANAND) : (a) to (c) The