

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

(b) to (d) Do not arise.

[*English*]

Relation of Indian Railway Construction Company Limited with Indian Railways.

1391 SHRI PRIYA RANJAN DAS MUNSHI : Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state :

(a) the objective of Indian Railways Construction Company Limited and its relations with Indian Railway ; and

(b) the actual loss or profit of Indian Railway Construction Company Limited during 1983-84 and 1984-85 ?

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

(a) The main objects for which Indian Railway Construction Company Limited (IRCON) has been established are :

To carry on all kinds of business relating to Railway Construction and to enter into contracts in India or abroad, on turnkey basis or otherwise, either individually or jointly with other undertaking and companies or persons abroad or in India, including supply, erection and commissioning of railway equipment and all services ancillary there-to etc. etc.

This Company is a wholly owned Government Company incorporated under the Companies Act, under the administrative control of Ministry of Railways.

(b) During the year 1983-84 profit before tax was about Rs. 154.5 million and after taxation about Rs. 127.5 million. The accounts for the year 1984-85 have yet to be compiled.

[*Translation*]

Central Approval for Irrigation Scheme at Zankhari in Gujrat

1392. SHRI C.D. GAMIT : Will the Minister of IRRIGATION AND POWER be pleased to state :

(a) the reasons for not according approval so far to the medium irrigation scheme at Zankhari in Surat District by the Government of India ;

(b) the date on which it was submitted to the Government for according their approval and the acreage of land likely to be irrigated by it and the likely amount to be incurred thereon ; and

(c) the time by which the approval is likely to be accorded to it and the steps being taken by the Government in this regard ?

THE MINISTER OF IRRIGATION AND POWER (SHRI B. SHANKARANAND) : (a) to (c) Zankhari project was accepted by the Planning Commission in 1982. Subsequently, the State Government changed the scope of the project and submitted an outline of a revised project in January 1984. The modified project is estimated to cost Rs. 42.90 crores and is expected to irrigate 27,526 hectares, annually. Central Water Commission has sent their comments on the outline report and has called for from the State a detailed project report for further processing and for obtaining approval of the Planning Commission. A detailed project report for the revised scope of the project is not yet received from the State.

Providing A Stoppage of Ahmedabad Howrah Express at Songadh Station in W.R.

1393. SHRI C.D. GAMIT : Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state :

(a) whether there is a demand of the people to provide a stoppage of Ahmedabad-Howrah Express at Songadh Station on Surat-Bhusaval rail line in Western Railway ; and