

(c) the amount proposed to be spent during each phase ?

THE MINISTER OF TRANSPORT (SHRI BANSI LAL) : (a) to (c). Sitarampur-Asansol Section is already electrified. Electrification of Mughalsarai-Sitarampur Section has also been approved. This work is estimated to cost Rs. 86.62 crores at 1980 prices. However, due to priorities to first complete electrification of Delhi-Bombay (both Central and Western Railway routes) Delhi-Madras G.T. Route, Howrah-Bombay via Nagpur and Collieries lines in Chandrapura Complex and some other small section on operational considerations, electrification of Mughalsarai-Sitarampur Section has been given low priority. The issue of taking up of this work will be reviewed periodically.

[English]

Scheme of Model Schools and new Education Policy

6963. **SHRI SODE RAMAIAH :** Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that the Scheme of Model School has already been put to operation while the new education policy is yet to be adopted ; and

(b) if so, the details and reasons therefor ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENTS OF EDUCATION AND CULTURE (SHRIMATI SUSHILA ROHTAGI) : (a) and (b). Yes, Sir. The Government has decided to set up a model school (now named Navodaya Vidyalaya) in each district during the VII Plan and two such schools have been set up in Haryana and Maharashtra so far. The implementation of the Model Schools Scheme was not linked with the formulation of the new education policy.

[Translation]

Assistance to State Government for Development of Rajasthani Culture

6964. **SHRI BANWARI LAL BAIRWA :** Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state the details of the assistance provided by the Central Government during the last three

years to the State Government or to any other social organisation of Rajasthan to set up cultural centres for development of Rajasthani culture ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENTS OF EDUCATION AND CULTURE (SHRIMATI SUSHILA ROHTAGI) : The Department of culture does not operate any scheme under which assistance is provided to the State Government or to any social organisation. However, there are some schemes under which cultural organisations, including those engaged in the development of Rajasthani culture, are considered for grants for their developmental activities, like construction of building, production of new plays etc. Information in respect of such recipient organisations from Rajasthan during 1983-84, 1984-85 and 1985-86 is given in the statement below :

STATEMENT

Building grants to cultural organisations

1983-84

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| 1. Meera Kala Mandir, Udaipur (Rajasthan) | Rs. 25,000/- equipments
Rs. 12,500/- construction |
| 2. Bharatiya Lok Kala Mandir, Udaipur. | Rs. 25,000/- equipments |

1984-85

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| 1. Rashtriya Kala Mandir, Jodhpur | Rs. 7,500/- construction |
| 2. Rajasthan Vidyapith Lok Kala Sansthan, Udaipur. | Rs. 10,000/- equipments |

1985-86

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| 1. Kala Bharati of Bal Hit Shiksha Samity, Alwar. | Rs. 12,500/- construction |
| 2. Sangcet Natya Niketan, Bhupalpura, Udaipur. | Rs. 33,992/- equipments |
| 3. Bhartiya Lok Kala Mandal, Udaipur. | Rs. 10,000/- construction
Rs. 25,000/- equipments. |

Financial assistance to Dance, drama Theatre etc.

1983-84

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| 1. Marudhar Lok Kala Kendra, Barmer. | Rs. 5,000/- |
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| 2. Gramya Lok Kala Manch, Chittorgarh. | Rs. 5,000/- |
| 1984-85 — | |
| 1985-86 | |
| 1. Meera Kala Mandir, Udaipur | Rs. 10,000/- |
| Financial assistance for the reorganisation and developmental of Other Museums | |
| 1983-84 | Nil |
| 1984-85 | |
| 1. Ram Charan Prachya Vidyapith, Jaipur | Rs. 5,925/-
Publication |
| 2. Mehrangarh Museum Trust, Umaid Bhavan Jodhpur, Rajasthan, | Rs. 8,000/-
Publication |
| 1985-86 | |
| 1. Ramcharan Prachya Vidyapith, Jaipur | Rs. 2,965/-
equipments
Rs. 25,000/-
equipments |
| 2. Sir Chhotu Ram Sangrahalaya, Gramothan Vidyapith Sangrahalaya Rajasthan. | Rs. 9,000/-
equipments |
| 3. Mehrangarh Museum Trust, Umaid Bhavan, Jodhpur. | Rs. 24,000/-
Publication |

[English]

Kazhakkuttam—Kovalam Bypass in Kerala

6965. SHRI T. BASHEER : Will the Minister of TRANSPORT be pleased to state :

(a) whether Government are aware that due to non-sanctioning of funds and non-issue of administrative approval, the work on National Highway bypass at Kazhakkuttam-Kovalam in Kerala is at a standstill ; and

(b) if so, the action proposed to be taken to speed up the work without delay ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF SURFACE TRANSPORT (SHRI RAJESH PILOT) : (a) and (b). The construction of the bypass is being done in a phased manner depending upon the availability of funds and inter-se priority of all such works on all India basis.

The alignment for reach-I (from Kazhakkuttam to Vazhamuttom) has been approved and an estimate for the acquisition of land has also been sanctioned. Land Acquisition proceedings are in advanced stage of progress. A part of reach-I from Ch. 11900 to 13079 has also been taken up for construction to provide access to the Air Port and work is in progress. The estimates for another two stretches from Ch. 10250 to 11900 and 13079 to 16500 in reach-I for road formation and C.D. works are under examination. Survey and investigation by the State PWD for the reach-II (Vazhamuttom to Parsala) is in progress.

Progress in Construction of Koraput-Rayagada Railway Line

6966. SHRI K. PRADHANI : Will the Minister of TRANSPORT be pleased to state :

(a) whether the progress in the construction of the Koraput-Rayagada Railway line had been some what tardy ; if so, the reasons therefore.

(b) the total kilometres of the Railway line so far constructed and how long will it take to complete the remaining portion ;

(c) whether the entire section of this line would be ready by the time the NALCO plant goes on stream ; if not the reasons therefor ; and

(d) whether there is any proposal to electrify this line during the Seventh Plan to ensure its smooth and speedier working ?

THE MINISTER OF TRANSPORT (SHRI BANSI LAL) : (a) The construction of the line is being progressed according to availability of resources which are under severe strain at present.

(b) and (c). 20 Kms. approximately. The completion of the remaining portion will depend on the availability of resources in the coming years.

(d) No, Sir.

Steps to avoid threat to Railway Safety

6967. PROF. MADHU DANDAVATE : Will the Minister of TRANSPORT be pleased to state the steps taken to avoid threat to railway safety as a result of inadequate Kilometrage of track-renewal ?