

being given to this project, within the overall constraints of funds allocated by the Planning Commission for the Plan head 'New Lines'.

### **Dieselisation of Trains in North-Western States**

670. PROF. NARAIN CHAND PARASHAR: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) the names of mail/express trains run by the Northern Railway and emanating from or passing through Delhi/New Delhi to various parts of the North Western States-Punjab, Himachal Pradesh, Jammu & Kashmir, Chandigarh and Haryana which have been dieselised since July, 1989; and

(b) the names of such among them which have still to be dieselised and the likely date by which they would be dieselised and the reasons for delay?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI MADHAVRAO SCINDIA): (a) A statement is given below.

(b) 99/100 Haryana Express (M.G.) between Delhi and Hissar is still on steam traction. This train could not be dieselised due to limited availability of diesel locomotives after meeting freight requirements.

### **STATEMENT**

(a) The following trains have been dieselised:-

- (i) A new train No. 405/406 between New Delhi and Ludhiana introduced with effect from 1-10-1987.
- (ii) 59/60 Amritsar-New Delhi Express introduced with effect

from 1-5-1989.

- (iii) 987/988 Jammu Tawi-Gorakhpur tri-weekly Express introduced from May, 1989.
- (iv) 997/998 Jammu Tawi-Hapa weekly Express introduced from May, 1989.
- (v) 53/54 Himachal Express between Delhi and Nangal Daman existing train dieselised with effect from 1-5-1989.
- (vi) Another train No. 83/84 Ganga-Yamuna Express already dieselised has been extended upto Bhiwani with effect from 1-5-1989.

### **Railway Link between Kurali and Chandigarh**

671. PROF. NARAIN CHAND PARASHAR: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether a proposal for survey to link Kurali Railway station on Nangal-Sirhind Section with Chandigarh has been received by Government;

(b) if so, the action taken thereon; and

(c) if no action has been taken so far, the likely date by which the survey would be undertaken?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI MADHAVRAO SCINDIA): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) and (c). As per Survey done in the past for new BG line between Ludhiana-Chandigarh via Morinda, a station just South of Kurali, the project was found to be unremunerative. On operational grounds also,