

<i>Sl. No.</i>	<i>State</i>	<i>No. of Approvals</i>
<i>1</i>	<i>2</i>	<i>3</i>
14.	Orissa	8
15.	Pondicherry	4
16.	Punjab	14
17.	Rajasthan	19
18.	Tamil Nadu	43
19.	Uttar Pradesh	71
20.	West Bengal	9
21.	Daman & Diu	1
22.	Not indicated	51
<i>Total</i>		847

[*Translation*]

**Railway Line Between Ranchi Road -
Hazaribagh and Kuderama**

2233. PROF. YADU NATH PANDEY:
Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to
state:

(a) whether there is a long pending
demand to provide rail link between Ranchi
road station, Hazaribagh and Kuderama in
Bihar;

(b) if so, whether Government have
chalked out any plan and conducted a sur-
vey in this regard;

(c) if so, the details thereof; and

(d) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF RAILWAYS (SHRI
GEORGE FERNANDES): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) to (d). Survey for a new BG line from
Ranchi to Giridih via Hazaribagh and Kuder-
ama was conducted in 1980. The 196 km
long line was estimated to cost Rs. 55 crores
at the then prevailing price level. The project
was not found financially viable. Due to acute
constraint of resources and heavy commit-
ments in hand, it is difficult to consider this
project at present.

**Coal Production Release and Wagon
Loading by Central Coalfields Ltd.**

2234. SHRI RAMASHRAY PRASAD
SINGH: Will the Minister of ENERGY be
pleased to state:

(a) whether the production, release and
wagon loading of coal in Central Coalfields