

convert Ankleshwar -Rajpipla railway line into broad gauge; and

(b) if so, the details thereof and the time by which Government propose to undertake this project?

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

(b) Survey was carried out for conversion of Ankleshwar-Rajpipla (63 km) line into BG and its extension upto Gora (19 km). The project was then estimated to cost Rs. 30.41 crores with a negative return. Due to acute constraint of resources and heavy commitments for on-going projects, it could not be taken up.

Head Offices of Central Public Sector Units in Bihar

2262. SHRI DASAI CHOWDHARY: Will the Minister of INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) the names of Central Public Sector units in Bihar, whose head offices are located outside the State and the reasons therefor;

(b) whether Government propose to bring all such head offices to Bihar; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF INDUSTRY (SHRI AJIT SINGH): (a) There is no such public sector enterprise which has manufacturing/trading unit only in the State of Bihar and whose head office is located outside the state.

(b) and (c). Do not arise.

[English]

Sub-way at Badarpur Railway Crossing

2263. SHRI TARIF SINGH: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Railways have undertaken the construction of a sub-way at Badarpur railway crossing;

(b) if so, the present stage of the project;

(c) whether the work is behind schedule;

(d) if so, the reasons therefor; and

(e) when it is likely to be completed?

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

(b) Overall progress is 40%.

(c) No Sir.

(d) Does not arise.

(e) Work is likely to be completed by December 1991.

New Train Services in Kerala

2264. SHRI RAMESH CHENNITHALA: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is any proposal to start new train services in Kerala in view of the increased passenger traffic; and

(b) if not, the reason thereof?

THE MINISTER OF RAILWAYS (SHRI GEORGE FERNANDES): (a) Yes, Sir. A weekly express train is being introduced between Jammu Tawi and Mangalore/