

dian Agro-Paper Mills Association, suggesting various measures for the growth of Paper Industry. These suggestions are kept in view by the Government, while formulating policies for resolving problems being faced by the Paper Industry, from time to time. Some of the specific measures undertaken for the promotion of agro-based paper industry are as follows:-

- (i) Large/medium/small paper mills using agro-residue and other non-conventional raw materials at least upto 50% are charged excise duty at concessional rates;
- (ii) Paper containing not less than 75% by weight of pulp made from bagasse, raw jute and mesta is exempt from excise duty;
- (iii) The Paper and Paper Board Industry, based on agricultural residue has been brought under the scheme of minimum Economic Capacity, which has been fixed at 33,000 TPA.

[*Translation*]

Overbridge at Mansi station

5222. SHRI RAM SHARAN YADAV: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government propose to construct a bridge, for the safety of the people, over the platform of Mansi railway station in Khagaria district where a number of people are killed every year in train accidents;

(b) if so, by what time the construction of the bridge is likely to start; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF RAILWAYS (SHRI GEORGE FERNANDES): (a) No, Sir. There have been no cases of people being run over at this Station in the recent past.

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

[*English*]

Overbridge at Cherianad (Kerala)

5223. PROF. P. J. KURIEN: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is any demand for the construction of an overbridge at Cherianad in the Alleppy district of Kerala; and

(b) if so, the decision taken thereon?

THE MINISTER OF RAILWAYS (SHRI GEORGE FERNANDES): (a) No, Sir.

(b) The Railway can take action in the matter only after the State Government/Local Authority sponsors firm proposal for the facility duly consenting to bear the cost as per rules.

Superfast Train between Kashmir and Kanyakumari

5224. PROF. P. J. KURIEN: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have received any representations for introducing a Super fast train between Kashmir and Kanyakumari; and

(b) if so, the decision of Government thereto?

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

(b) Presently not found feasible. However, a weekly train is being introduced between Jammu Tawi and Mangalore/