

(e) Completion of this bridge work along with gauge-conversion project is expected during the 8th Plan period.

[*English*]

Fatuah to Gaya and Rajgir to Gaya Rail Line

4177. SHRI VIJAY KUMAR YADAV: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Union Government propose to start preliminary work for the construction of broad gauge line from Fatuah to Gaya via Islampur and from Rajgir to Gaya in Eastern Railways; and

(b) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI MAL-LIKARJUN): (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

Rail Projects in West Bengal

4178. SHRI HANNAN MOLLAH: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) the proposals for construction of new railway lines, extension of existing lines, other new rail projects received from the Government of West Bengal and various other sources;

(b) the names of projects accepted, and under consideration;

(c) the proposed time schedule for completion of those projects;

(d) whether the Government have any proposals to wind-up any railway lines in the State on the ground of non-viability; and

(e) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI MAL-LIKARJUN): (a) Nil, Sir

(b) and (c) Do not arise.

(d) No, Sir.

(e) Does not arise.

[*Translation*]

Setting up of Hospitals

4179. SHRI GOVINDA CHANDRA MUNDA: SHRI VIJAY NAVAL PATIL:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state the number of hospitals proposed to be set up in the Eighth Five Year Plan, State-wise and Union-Territory-wise?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRIMATI D.K. THARADEVI SIDDHARTHA): Eighth Five Year Plan proposals have not yet been finalised.

[*English*]

Station of Katakhal in Assam

4180. SHRI DWARKA NATH DAS: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government are aware of the dilapidated conditions of most of the stations in Katakhal Bhairati Branch line in Barak Valley of Assam; and

(b) if so, the steps proposed to be taken to improve the condition of these stations alongwith construction of platforms thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI MALIKARJUN): (a) Condition of the station in Katakhal-Bhairati Section is not dilapidated.

(b) Does not arise.

Suggestion/Complaint Box at Airports

4181. SHRI K. H. MUNIYAPPA:
SHRI C. P. MUDALAGIRI-
YAPPA:

Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government propose to install suggestion/complaint box in the booking offices at all the airports in the country; and

(b) if so, the steps taken by the Government in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM (SHRI MADHAVRAO SCINDIA): (a) and (b). Suggestion/complaint boxes have already been installed at most of the airports and the booking offices for receiving suggestions/complaints from the passengers.

Unutilised Airports in Tamil Nadu

4182. SHRI P. P. KALIAPERUMAL: Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM be pleased to state:

(a) whether some airports in the South Arcot District of Tamil Nadu are not in use;

(b) if so, the reasons therefor and the extent of land involved in each such airport;

(c) whether there is any proposal to develop these airports for public purposes; and

(d) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM (SHRI MADHAVRAO SCINDIA): (a) and (b). South Arcot District has two airfields, one at Neyveli and the other at Ulundpet. The airfield at Ulundpet is an Indian Air Force abandoned airfield.

The runway at Neyveli has a dimension of 3000 ft. x 100 ft. while Ulundpet has two runways one measuring 6000 ft. x 150 ft. and the other 4800 ft. x 150 ft.

(c) and (d). There is no plan as of now to develop these airfields owing to constraint of funds and limited commercial potential.

Bridges in Eluru Town (A.P)

4183. SHRI BOLLA BULLI RAMAIAH: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is any proposal to construct railway over-bridge in Eluru Town (Andhra Pradesh); and

(b) if so, the estimated cost and when the work is likely to be started?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI MALIKARJUN): (a) Yes, Sir; the proposal for the work has been recommended by the State government.

(b) The cost of the work will be estimated only after the scheme is approved by the Ministry of Surface Transport. The work will be taken up for execution, after it is sanctioned both by the Railways and the Ministry of Surface Transport.