

PRASAD MEHTA: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) the value of goods stolen between Gaya and Dhanbad on Howrah-Kodarma line and the number of train accidents took place during the last two years along with the losses incurred as a result thereof;

(b) whether any inquiry has been conducted into these cases; and

(c) if so, the number of G.R.P. personnel and Railway officials found involved therein and the number of persons against whom action has been taken with details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI MAL-LIKARJUN): (a) The value of goods stolen between Gaya and Dhanbad on Howrah-Kodarma line during the last two years is as under:-

<i>Years</i>	<i>Value of Goods stolen</i>
1990-91	Rs. 1,35,025/-
1991-92	Rs. 5,93,299/-

There were 14 and 13 consequential train accidents between Gaya and Dhanbad during 1990-91 and 1990-92 respectively. The cost of damage to railway property has been estimated at Rs. 150.89 lakhs and Rs. 28.74 lakhs respectively.

(b) Yes, Sir.

(c) No G.R. P. or Railway Official was found involved therein and therefore, taking action against them does not arise

[English]

Bangalore-Mysore-Bangalore Train

1982. SHRIMATI CHANDRAPRABHA URS: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government have stopped the Bangalore-Mysore-Bangalore train service; and

(b) if so, when and the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI MAL-LIKARJUN): (a) and (b). Due to final stage of gauge conversion work on Bangalore-Mysore Section, train services

have been temporarily suspended w.e.f. 5.6.92.

Konkan Railway Project

1983. SHRI HARISH NARAYAN PRABHU ZANTYE: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) the amount spent so far on the Konkan Railway Project and the amount required to complete the project;

(b) whether acquisition of land has been completed in all the four States;

(c) if not, the area of land remained to be acquired and the details thereof; and

(d) the progress made so far in the project especially in Goa?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI MAL-LIKARJUN): (a) An amount of Rs.425 crores has been spent so far. An amount of Rs. 960 crores at 91-92 price level is required to complete the project. This does not include the interest payable on borrowed funds.

(b) and (c). The Konkan Railway new line passes through the three states of Maharashtra, Goa and Karnataka. The

total length of alignment falling in these three states and land taken over by consent are as follows:

	<i>Total</i>	<i>Taken Over</i>
Maharashtra	382 Km	341 km
Goa	105 km	69 km
Karnataka	273 km	159 Km

(d) Overall physical progress25%

Goa...Physical progress10%

Mortality Rate of Infants

1984. SHRI VIJAY NAVAL
PATIL:
SHRI N. DENNIS:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the immunisation programme for Infants during the last two years has reduced mortality rate in the age group of 0-4 years; and

(b) if so, the details thereof, State and Union Territory-wise?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRIMATI D.K. THARA DEVI SIDDHARTHA): (a) The Universal Immunisation Programme which seeks to immunise all infants (zero to one year of age) against

six vaccine preventable diseases viz. diphtheria, Pertussis, Tetanus, Tuberculosis, polio and Measles was started in 1985 in a phased manner beginning with 31 districts and was universalised in the entire country in 1989-90. The Infant (0-1 year) Mortality Rate (IMR) which was gradually decreasing every year from 91 per thousand live births in 1985 dropped significantly in one year by 11 points, from 91 in 1989 to 80 per thousand live births in 1990 following universalisation of the Immunisation Programme. The latest estimates for child mortality rate (0-4 years of age) are, however, available only for 1988 which indicates a marginal decline from 36.6 in 1986 to 33.3 per thousand population of children in this age group in 1989.

(b). The latest estimates of Child Mortality Rate for the years 1986, 1987 and 1988 and those of Infant Mortality Rate (IMR) for the years 1988, 1989 and 1990 as available from the Samples Registration System of the Registrar General of India in respect of the major States are given in the Statement which is annexed.