

(In lakh tonnes)

<i>Rice</i>	
(from 1.1.1992 to 3.12.1992)	78.84
<i>Wheat</i>	
(from 1.1.1992 to 27.11.1992)	63.80
<i>Coarsegrains</i>	
(from 1.1.1992 to 3.12.1992)	0.26
Total	
	142.90

(c) Provisional position of stocks of wheat and rice in the Central Pool as on 1.1.1992 is as follows:-

(In lakh tonnes)

Rice	Wheat	Total
86.25	52.77	139.02

[English]

**Death Centenary of Pandit Iswar
Chandra Vidyasagar**

2446. SHRI HANNAN MOLLAH:
SHRI SUDARSAN
RAYCHAUDHURI:

Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government propose to observe the death centenary of Pandit Iswar Chandra Vidyasagar;

(b) if so, the expenditure proposed to be incurred thereon; and

(c) the details of the programme chalked out therefor?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION AND DEPARTMENT OF CULTURE) (KUMARI SELJA): (a) to (c). Generally, it is not the Government's practice to observe the death anniversaries of eminent personalities. However, if appropriate proposals are received from any institution the Government may consider them for financial assistance.

**Linking Balurghat and Raiganj with
Calcutta/Howrah by Rail**

2447. SHRI SUBRATA MUKHERJEE:

SHRI AJOY KUKHO:
PADHYAY:

SHRI BASUDEB ACHARIA:
SHRI JITENDRA NATH DAS:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is any proposal to link Balurghat and Raiganj with Calcutta/Howrah by rail to facilitate the public of these areas;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI MALIKARJUN): (a) to (c). Raiganj is already connected by rail to Calcutta via Barsoi and Katwa. Balurghat is proposed to be connected via Ekalakhi. The construction of Eklakhi-Balurghat line is a sanctioned work with a lower operational priority for which funds will be provided as soon as the resource position improves and after some of the ongoing projects have been completed.

Konkan Railway Route

2448. SHRI MANORANJAN BHAKTA:
SHRI MAHESH KANODIA:
SHRIGEORGE FERNANDES:
SHRI DATTATRAYA BANDARU:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether any demand has been made by the Konkan Railway Re-alignment Committee for diversion of Konkan Railway from the proposed route passing through the densely populated area of Goa to the less developed interior of the State;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the reaction of the government thereto?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI MALIKARJUN): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) and (c). The question of realignment was examined by a One man expert Committee headed by Shri M. Menezes, Retired Chairman, Railway Board & an eminent Goan engineer. As per his recommendations accepted by the Government the alignment has been suitably changed in a length of 13 km between Mayem and Balli.

[*Translation*]

Killing of Peacocks

2449. SHRI KASHIRAM RANA:
SHRI LAL BABU RAI:

Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS be pleased to refer to the reply given to Unstarred Question No. 6142 on September 9, 1991 and state:

(a) whether the police investigation in regard to killing of peacocks in Madhya Pradesh has since been completed;

(b) if so, the findings thereof;

(c) the number of persons found guilty in this regard and action taken against them; and

(d) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS (SHRI KAMAL NATH): (a) to (d). Information is being collected from the State Government of Madhya Pradesh and will be laid on the Table of the House.

[*English*]

Vacancies in Kendriya Vidyalayas

2450. SHRI SATYAGOPL MISRA:
SHRI DIGVIJAYA SINGH:
SHRI GAYA PRASAD KORI: