

lowest in the world;

(c) if so, the reasons therefor; and

(d) the steps taken by the Government in this regard

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI ARVIND NETAM): (a) The per capita consumption of fruits and vegetables in India is 37.9 and 78.8 kg. respectively.

(b) No, Sir.

(c) Does not arise.

(d) The increase in per capita consumption is being attempted through the following:

- (i) Improving production of fruits & Vegetables through special schemes providing assistance to farmers for different activities.
- (ii) Improving availability of these commodities through better post harvest management & Marketing, & building of appropriate infrastructure; and
- (iii) Promoting increased consumption among masses as cheap source of nutrition.

Broad-Gauge Between Bangalore and Chitradurga

3902. SHRI C.P. MUDALAGIRIYAPPA: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is a great demand for a direct broad-gauge line between Bangalore

and Chitradurga, via Tumkur, Sira;

(b) whether his Ministry has ordered for conducting survey for the new direct broad-gauge line; and

(c) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF RAILWAYS (SHRI C.K. JAFFER SHARIEF): (a) No, Sir.

(b) No, Sir.

(c) Does not arise. However, broad gauge link has now become available between Chitradurga and Bangalore via Tumkur and Chickkajur.

[*Translation*]

Railway Protection Fund

3903. DR. RAMESH CHAND TOMAR: SHRI BALRAJ PASSI: SHRI DEVI BUX SINGH:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Uttar Pradesh Government has sought funds from Railway Protection Fund for the 18 constructed bridges and 10 under construction in the State;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the time by which funds are likely to be granted to the State in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF RAILWAYS (SHRI C.K. JAFFER SHARIEF): (a) to (c). Claims totalling Rs. 28.52 crores were received from State Government of U.P. for reimbursement from Railway Safety Works Fund towards the State Government share

of the cost of the Road Over Bridges/Road Under Bridges constructed and under construction in Uttar Pradesh.

Cochin. The application for Central financial assistance to the project is under consideration.

The reimbursement from Railway Safety Works Fund is limited to the extent of amount accrued to the credit of the State Government as per distribution recommended by Finance Commission. According, as against the sum of Rs. 969.47 lakhs accrued to the end of 31.3.1993 to the credit of State Government an amount of Rs. 968.84 lakhs has since been reimbursed to the U.P. Government. Further reimbursements to the extent of accrual can be made only on accretion of funds to the credit of the State Government in subsequent years.

[English]

Construction of Stadium in Cochin

3904. PROF. K.V. THOMAS: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Kerala Government and the Corporation of Cochin have submitted proposals and projects for financial assistance to construct Indira Gandhi International Stadium and Rajiv Gandhi Mini Stadium at Cochin; and

(b) if so, the decision taken on these proposals and projects?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (DEPARTMENT OF YOUTH AFFAIRS AND SPORTS) AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS (SHRI MUKUL WASNIK): (a) and (b): Government of Kerala has forwarded a proposal of Greater Cochin Development Authority for construction of International Stadium at

Development Works in National Library Calcutta

3905. KUMARI MAMATA BANERJEE: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether the development works in the National Library, Calcutta have slums down; and

(b) if so, the reasons therefore and the steps taken by the Government to restore the same?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTER OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION AND DEPARTMENT OF CULTURE (KUMARI SELJA): (a) The development plans of the National Library have suffered to some extent.

(b) The main reason is administrative bottlenecks created mainly due to internecine rivalry between the two service Associations. Apart from the usual administrative measures, the Government has set up a three member High Powered Committee to go into all aspects of the functioning of the Library and suggest measures of improvement.

[Translation]

MG Line into BG Line between Delhi to Udaipur

3906. SHRI BHERU LAL MEENA: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state: