

**Signalling System**

136. SHRI SULTAN SALAHUDDIN OWAISI: will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Railways has prepared a plan for modernisation of signalling system to meet the increasing demand of traffic, high speed and additional safety bids:

(b) the number of signal centres in the various zones at present that are being modernised;

(c) the places where modernisation plan of signalling system is much required; and

(d) the total amount earmarked for modernisation of signal centres in the country?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI K.C.LENKA): (a) Yes Sir. Railways are changing over to colour light and automatic signalling, track circuiting, route-relay and panel interlocking systems on a need based programme to coincide with replacements and other system upgradation plans.

(b) At present provision of electrical interlocking at 95 stations, automatic signalling for 56.06 Kms. and automatic block clearance at 118 stations are in progress on various zones.

(c) Modernisation plan of signalling system is required for trunk and main line routes carrying heavy freight and passenger services and approach lines to metros and large junction stations.

(d) In 1993-94, rupees seventy crores have been earmarked for signalling work.

**National Water Development project for Rainfed Areas**

137. SHRI A.VENKATESH NAIK: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) the number of districts selected by the Union Government under the National Water Development Project for Rainfed Areas Scheme in Karnataka;

(b) whether the Union Government propose to include more districts in the State under the said programme: and

(c) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI ARVIND NETAM): (a) to (c). All the 19 districts of Karnataka State have been selected for National Watershed Development Project for Rainfed Areas.

**Delinking of Colleges from Delhi University**

138. SHRI K. RAMAMURTHEE TINDIVANAM: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government have any plan to delink the colleges in Delhi from Delhi University;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether there are plans to implement this scheme in other States also; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE