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

- (b) Does not arise.
- (c) Constraint of resources.

New Rail Lines in Bilaspur

246. SHRI PAWAN DIWAN: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) the names of the places selected for construction of new railway lines and electrification of existing lines in Bilaspur division of Madhya Pradesh; and
- (b) the time by which the work is likely to be completed?

THE MINISTER OF RAILWAYS (SHRI C.K. JAFFER SHARIEF): (a) Construction of a new railway line from Dallirajhara to Jagdalpur (235 kms) has been identified and proposal has been sent to the Planning Commission.

Electrification work on the remaining portions of the on-going project Bilaspur-Katni including Anuppur-Bishrampur namely New Katni-Chandia Road and Boridand-Chirimin is in progress.

(b) Regarding new line, target date will be fixed up once Planning Commission's approval is received and work is actually approved by Parliament.

The electrification work of the above section is likely to be completed by March, 1995.

Food Corporation of India

- 247. SHRI PREM CHAND RAM: Will the Minister of FOOD be pleased to state:
- (a) whether the Union Government have any proposal to set up offices/godowns of the Food Corporation of India in those districts of Bihar where these do not exist;
 - (b) if so, the details thereof; and
 - (c) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF FOOD (SHRI KALP NATH RAI): (a) to (c). At present, there is no proposal to set up more district offices in Bihar as the network of existing offices is considered sufficient for looking after the Public Distribution work. However, a proposal is under consideration for establishing FCI godowns at Kathiar and Hatia also. A review has also been undertaken to identify locations in South Bihar for establishing more godowns for meeting PDS requirements.

Sugar Mills

248. SHRI ARJUN SINGH
YADAV:
SHRI RAJVEER SINGH:
SHRI HARI KEWAL
PRASAD:
SHRI SURENDRA PAL
PATHAK:

Will the Minister of FOOD be pleased to state:

(a) the number of sugar mills in public sector, private sector and cooperative sector in Uttar Pradesh at present;