

Insurance Scheme for Passengers

347. SHRI S.M. LALJAN BASHA: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the railway passenger Insurance Scheme has been implemented;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) if not, the present status of the scheme; and

(d) the time by which it is likely to be implemented?

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

(b) Does not arise.

(c) and (d). The Railway Passenger Insurance Scheme is being implemented with effect from 1.8.1994.

Ladies Special Trains

348. SHRI MOHAN RAWALE: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government have received requests from various quarters for the introduction of a 'Ladies Special Train' on Suburban Harbour Line in Bombay; and

(b) if so, the action proposed to be taken in this regard?

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

(b) Does not arise.

Freight Operations Information System

349. DR. KRUPASINDHU BHOI: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government propose to computerise its freight operations information system (FOIS);

(b) whether FOIS has already been in operation in some terminals;

(c) if so, the places where it has been undertaken so far;

(d) the time by which rest of the country to be computerised in respect of freight operations; and

(e) the steps proposed to be in that direction?

THE MINISTER OF RAILWAYS (SHRI C.K. JAFFER SHARIEF): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) and (c). No, Sir. Only test trials are being conducted. For this purpose, terminals have been installed at Agra Cantt., Mathura, Tuglakabad, Shakurbasti, New Delhi Control Office, Ghaziabad, Tundla, Meerut City, Saharanpur, Ambala Cantt., Azadpur, Subzi Mandi, Jind, Delhi Cantt., Badarpur and Indraprastha Power House.

(d) and (e). On successful completion of the trials and after the system has been evaluated and accepted, it is proposed to extent it to cover initially the entire Northern Railways and progressively thereafter the other zonal Railways.