

(Rs. per qtl.)

Commodity	Effective	P D S		
		Common	Fine	Superfine
(i) Rice	1. 4.91	289	349	370
	1. 4.94	537	617	648
	1.10.94	537	617	648
(ii) wheat	1. 4.91	234		
	1. 4.94	402		
	1.10.94	402		
(Rs. per tonne) Bulk 15 kg.				
(iii) Imported Edible Oil	1. 4.91	16500		19000
	1. 4.94	22000		25000
	1.10.94	24000		27000
(iv) Kerosene (Domestic use)	1. 4.91		2446.16 KL (A)	
	1. 4.94		2001.40 KL (B)	
	1.10.94		2001.40 KL (B)	
(A) Inclusive of excise duty. (B) Exclusive of excise duty.				
(v) Levy sugar (Retail)	1. 4.91		Rs. 5.25 per kg.	
	1. 4.94		Rs. 9.05 per kg.	
	1.10.94		Rs. 9.05 per kg.	

**Gauge Conversion**

2003. SHRIMATI KRISHNENDRA KAUR (DEEPA):  
SHRI SATYA DEO SINGH:  
SHRI SYED SHAHABUDDIN:  
SHRI SULTAN SALAHUDDIN OWAISI:  
SHRI DATTATRAYA BANDARU:  
SHRIMATI VASUNDHARA RAJE:  
DR. LAL BAHADUR RAWAL:  
SHRI SURYA NARAYAN YADAV:  
SHRI RAM KAPSE:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) the total length and the detail of sections where metre gauge railway line is being converted into broad gauge, zone-wise and State-wise during the last three years, till date;

(b) whether the progress of these project is as per schedule; and

(c) the details of the expenditure incurred in carrying out the above conversion work?

THE MINISTER OF RAILWAYS (SHRI C.K. JAFFER SHARIEF): (a) A Statement is attached.

(b) Yes, Sir.

(c) The expenditure incurred in the last 3 years in carrying out the gauge conversion works is Rs. 1827.27 crores. In this year the provision in the budget for gauge conversion works is Rs. 1005.13 crores.

**Statement**

(a) The sections converted into BG during the last three years till date are as under:-

S.No.	Name of Section/line	Zone	Length (Kms.)	State
<b>1991-92</b>				
1.	Manmad-Aurangabad	SC	114	Maharashtra
2.	Salempur-Barhaji Bazar	NE	21	Bihar
<b>Total:</b>			<b>135</b>	

**1992-93**

1.	Lucknow-Kanpur	NR	59	Uttar Pradesh
2.	Delhi-Rewari	NR	83	Haryana
3.	Kotkapura-Fazilka	NR	80	Punjab
4.	Lalgarh-Merta Road	NR	177	Rajasthan
5.	Lalgarh-Kolayat	NR	47	-do-
6.	Nadiad-Kapadvanj	WR	45	Gujarat
7.	Sawaimodhopur-Jaipur	WR	125	Rajasthan
8.	Bangalore-Tumkur	SR	59	Karnataka
9.	Mysore-Bangalore	SR	138	Karnataka
10.	Bangalore-Yelahanka	SR	12	Karnataka
11.	Guntur-Narsaraopet	SC	46	Andhra Pradesh
12.	Dindigul-Tuticorin	SR	196	Tamil Nadu
13.	Bellary-Rayadurg	SC	54	Karnataka
14.	Aurangabad-Jalna	SC	64	Andhra Pradesh
15.	Parbhani-Parli Vaijnath	SC	63	Andhra Pradesh
16.	Burhwal-Mehmoodabad	NE	38	Uttar Pradesh
17.	Mankapur-Katra	NE	30	Uttar Pradesh
18.	Purulia-Kotshila	SE	35	West Bengal

**Total: 1351**

**1993-94**

1.	Daund-Baramati	CR	42	Maharashtra
2.	Bathinda-Hissar	NR	157	Punjab/Haryana
3.	Phulera-Jodhpur-Bhagal-Ki-Kothi	NR	261	Rajasthan
4.	Patel Nagar-Sarai rohilla	NR	3	Delhi
5.	Merta Rd.-Merta City	NR	15	Rajasthan
6.	Mehmoodabad-Sitapur	NE	60	Uttar Pradesh
7.	Varanasi-Allahabad	NE	126	Uttar Pradesh
8.	Lucknow-Manaknagar	NE	5	Uttar Pradesh
9.	Lalkuan-Kathgodam	NE	29	Uttar Pradesh
10.	Guwahati-Lumding	NF	181	N.E. Region
11.	Tumkur-Chikjajur	SR	215	Karnataka
12.	Chikjajur-Chitradurg	SR	16	Karnataka
13.	Mysore-Ashokapuram	SR	5	Karnataka
14.	Tambaram-Egmore	SR	27	Tamilnadu
15.	Narsaraopet-Donakonda	SC	75	Andhra Pradesh
16.	Jalna-Parbhani	SC	116	Maharashtra
17.	Falaknuma-Secunderabad	SC	28	Andhra Pradesh
18.	Bolarum-Secunderabad	SC	14	Andhra Pradesh
19.	Falaknuma-Mehmoodnagar	SC	99	Andhra Pradesh
20.	Gondia-Arjuni	SE	82	Maharashtra
21.	Jaipur-Phulera	WR	55	Rajasthan
22.	Jaipur-Durgapur	WR	8	Rajasthan

**Total: 1619 Rajasthan**

**1994-95**

1.	Parbani-Purna	SC	29	Andhra Pradesh
2.	Arjuni-Wadsa	SE	23	Madhya Pradesh
3.	Chikjajur-Chitradurg	SR	18	Karnataka
4.	Hissar-Rewari	NR	143	Punjab/Haryana

5.	Rewari-Jaipur	WR	225	Haryana/Rajasthan
6.	Birur-Shimoga	SR	63	Karnataka
7.	Chikjajur-Harihar	SR	60	Karnataka
8.	Donakonda-Giddalaur	SC	84	Andhra Pradesh
9.	Mirja-Belgaum	SC	188	Karnataka
10.	Champarmukh-Halbargaon	NF	21	Northeast Region
Total			854	

#### Percentage of Pass Students in K.Vs. and Navodaya Vidyalayas

2004. SHRI C.P. MUDALA GIRIYAPPA: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the percentage of students who passed 10th and 12th classes in Navodaya Vidyalayas and Kendriya Vidyalayas for the last three years;

(b) whether the percentage has gone down considerably in these Vidyalayas;

(c) if so, the reasons therefor; and

(d) whether the Union Government contemplate to take remedial measures to improve the situation of these Vidyalayas?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION AND DEPARTMENT OF CULTURE (KUMARI SELJA): (a) According to information furnished by Kendriya Vidyalaya Sengathan and Navodaya Vidyalaya Samiti, the pass percentage of students at classes 10th and 12th from Kendriya Vidyalayas and Navodaya Vidyalayas during the last three years is as under:-

Year	Pass %age in KVs.		Pass %age in NVs.	
	Class X	Class XII	Class X	Class XII
1992	85.53	84.80	89.9	77.00
1993	87.43	81.95	93.7	66.8
1994	85.80	83.60	93.08	78.37

(b) to (d) No. Sir, However, Improvement of academic standards in Kendriya Vidyalayas and Navodaya Vidyalayas is an ongoing process through regular academic inspections of Vidyalayas, inservice courses for teachers and monitoring the evaluation activities.

[Translation]

#### Gauge Conversion in U.P.

2005. SHRI KHELAN RAM JANGDE: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) the total length of broad gauge and metre gauge railway line in Bilaspur district of Uttar Pradesh;

(b) whether the Government propose to lay more Railway lines;

(c) if so, the details thereof; and

(d) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF RAILWAYS (SHRI C.K. JAFFER SHARIEF): (a) There is no Bilaspur District in Uttar Pradesh.

(b) to (d) Do not arise.

[English]

#### Strike by FCI Workers

2006. SHRI SULTAN SALAHUDIN OWAIISI:  
SHRI P.C. THOMAS:  
SHRI RAMASHRAY PRASAD SINGH:

Will the Minister of FOOD be pleased to state:

(a) whether workers of the Food Corporations of India went on strike in recent months;

(b) if so, the reasons therefor;

(c) whether any alternative arrangement was made to maintain the supply of essential commodities under the Public Distribution System during this period;

(d) if so, the reasons thereof;

(e) the extent to which the Government have considered the demands; and

(f) the steps taken by the Government to avert such strikes in future?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FOOD (SHRI KALP NATH RAI) : (a) and (b) The FCI Workers Union had adopted an agitational approach for acceptance of an understanding which they had signed with FCI management in April, 1994.

(c) and (d) In order to ensure smooth supply of foodgrains through the public distribution system FCI had drawn up a contingency plan. The State Governments were also advised to make necessary arrangements for lifting stocks of foodgrains and sugar directly from wagons and rail heads.

(e) and (f) Two of the major components of their understanding concerning (i) acceptance of the award of NIT Bombay relating to grant of status of departmental workers to workers of 49 Direct Payment System depots, as negotiated by FCI management with the labour union, and (ii) upgradation of note/management Committee System to Direct Payment System have since been accepted. As a result, the Union called off its agitation with effect from 1.11.1994. The situation in the organisation is now by and large peaceful.