

THE MINISTER OF RAILWAYS (SHRI C.K. JAFFER SHARIEF): (a) and (b) 4893/4894 Jodhpur Mail is a Metre Gauge train. It has been diverted to run via Ringas, Phulera, Ajmer and Marwar due to conversion of Phulera-Merta Road-Jodhpur section into Broad Gauge.

(c) to (e) One through coach between Delhi and Degana via Ratangarh by 4709/4710 Bikaner Link Express and 1DR/2DR Passenger has already been introduced w.e.f. 04-04-1994.

#### Railway Underbridge in Kerala

2018. SHRIMATI SUSEELA GOPALAN:  
SHRI S. SIVARAMAN:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government of Kerala has submitted a proposal for a Railway underbridge at Varkala and overbridge at Wadakancherry;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) the time by which it is likely to be completed; and

(d) the estimated cost of the underbridge?

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

(b) Proposal of Road underbridge in replacement of level crossing at Km. 179/13-14 at Varkala was prepared by State Government using steeper gradients against standard approach slopes. State Government agreed to reconsider and submit a revised proposal which is still awaited.

Southern Railway has proposed to construct a Road overbridge in replacement of level crossing No. 11 at Km. 15/16-17 at Waddakkanchery. However, the work has been kept in abeyance for want of finalisation of pre-requisite formalities e.g. land acquisition, finalisation of plans commencement of work on approaches etc. by the State Government.

(c) The work for construction of bridge across the Railway tracks will be taken up by the Railways after the finalisation of the prerequisite formalities and commencement of work on the approaches by the State Government.

(d) The estimated cost would be worked out on finalisation of the pre-requisite formalities.

#### Withdrawal of History Text Books

2019. SHRIMATI SAROJ DUBEY:  
SHRI UDAYSINGRAO GAIKWAD:

Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether the National Steering Committee has recommended that the history text books introduced in certain States be withdrawn being faulty;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the action taken by the Union Government thereon?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION AND DEPARTMENT OF CULTURE) (KUMARI SELJA): (a) to (c) The National Steering Committee on School Textbooks Evaluation has recommended withdrawal of some History, Social Science and Social Studies textbooks of Uttar Pradesh, Madhya Pradesh, Andhra Pradesh, Assam, Tamil Nadu, West Bengal and Kerala. The reports of the Committee with such recommendations have been sent to the concerned State Governments for implementation.

#### Centrally Sponsored Schemes

2020. DR. KRUPASINDHU BHOI:  
SHRI P. KUMARASAMY:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is any proposal to monitor the progress of various centrally sponsored schemes under his Ministry being implemented in different States;

(b) if so, the time by which monitoring is likely to start;

(c) the preparation made in different States in this regard; and

(d) the steps taken for the effective implementation of these schemes?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF NON-CONVENTIONAL ENERGY SOURCES AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI S. KRISHNA KUMAR): (a) to (d) The progress of implementation of Central/Centrally Sponsored Schemes by the States is already being monitored regularly through periodical progress reports, review meetings, Area Officers meetings with the Resident Commissioner or his representatives, etc. The State Governments have also been requested to set up Task Force under the Agriculture Production Commissioner to monitor utilisation of funds and the implementation of these Schemes.

#### Production of Jute

2021. SHRI AJOY MUKHOPADHYAY:  
PROF. SUSANTA CHAKRABORTY:  
SHRI SYED SHAHABUDDIN:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government propose to augment jute production by concentrated efforts of ensuring availability of quality seeds to farmers through National and State Seeds Development Corporations;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) the estimated production of jute during 1994-95 with estimated demand during the year, State-wise;

(d) the support price of jute announced by the Government for the current year; and