

Double Railway Line

2632. PROF. SUSANTA CHAKRABORTY : Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state :

- (a) whether all the sections of Calcutta Sub urban Area have been connected with the Double Line;
- (b) if not, the names of those sections which do not have double line so far;
- (c) whether any steps are being taken for Doubling all the Sections of Calcutta Suburban Area;
- (d) if so, the details thereof; and
- (e) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF DEFENCE AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PARLIAMNETARY AFFAIRS AND HOLDING ADDITIONAL CHARGE OF MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI MALLIKARJUN) : (a) No, Sir.

(b) The following sections are single lines:-

- (i) Mile-BudgeBudge
- (ii) Sonarpur-Canning
- (iii) Baruipur-Diamond Harbour
- (iv) Baruipur -Karanjali
- (v) Kalyani-Simanta
- (vi) Seoraphuli-Tarakeswar
- (vii) Machhalandapur-Bangaon
- (viii) Metro.

(c) No, sir.

(d) Does not arise.

(e) Doubling of the existing single line sections is taken up when the carrying capacity is saturated, freight intensive sections being given priority. Doubling of these sections will be considered when traffic on these sections reach the level to justify the same subject to availability of resources.

[Translation]

AC-2-Tier Coaches

2633. SHRI RAJESH RANJAN ALIAS PAPPU YADAV : Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government have any proposal to increase the number of reserve berths of AC 2-tier and 3-tier for Kathiar Junction in Rajdhani Express

between New Delhi and Guwahati, and

(b) if so, the time by which it is likely to be implemented?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF DEFENCE AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PARLIAMNETARY AFFAIRS AND HOLDING ADDITIONAL CHARGE OF MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI MALLIKARJUN) : (a) and (b). Owing to full utilisation of quotas at the train originating stations as well as other quota holding stations, there is no proposal at present to increase the reservation quota at Kathiar by 2423/2424 Guwahati -New Delhi-Guwahati Rajdhani Express trains.

NCCF

2634. SHRI PRABHU DAYAL KATHERIA : Will the Minister of CIVIL SUPPLIES, CONSUMER AFFAIRS AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION be pleased to state :

(a) the policy of the Government for the promotion of SCs/STs and general category in NCCF;

(b) the number of posts reserved for SCs/STs, Cadre-wise and post-wise;

(c) the number of posts lying vacant, cadre-wise during the last three years;

(d) the number of SCs/STs promoted as per the Roster; and

(e) the number of SCs/STs posts filled up by promotion of departmental candidates?

THE MINISTER OF CIVIL SUPPLIES, CONSUMER AFFAIRS AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION (SHRI BUTA SINGH) : (a) It has been reported by the NCCF that they follow Government of India policy for promotion of their SC/ST employees.

(b) 15% and 7.5% of the posts are reserved for SC/ST employees as per the Govt. of India guidelines.

(c) A detailed statement showing the category-wise posts reserved for SC/ST employees and the posts lying vacant in the NCCF as on 31.7.95 is attached. The NCCF introduced voluntary retirement scheme (VRS) to relieve the surplus staff. The NCCF has also restructured its staffing pattern and approved a staff strength of 593 as against the present strength of 668.

(d) and (e). It has been reported by the NCCF that all the employees who have completed 10 years of service in a particular post have been promoted to the next higher post. By this process, 71 employees including SC/ST employees have been promoted to the higher posts.