

tend to indicate atmospheric warming to the extent of a few degrees by the middle of next century resulting in climate variation. However, there are many uncertainties involved in assumptions made in the models. There is thus limited confidence in the model results on climate change.

Asansol-Barddhaman Section

3541. SHRI PURNA CHANDRA MALIK : Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state :

(a) the plan and programme to utilise full capacity of Asansol-Barddhaman Section;

(b) the steps being taken to run all the passenger trains in this section;

(c) whether any steps are also being taken to phase out convention rakes in Asansol-Barddhaman section of the Eastern Railway; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI SURESH KALMADI) : (a) The utilisation of capacity on the Barddhaman-Asansol section was 74.7% in 1994-95. Further increase in the number of trains would depend on the traffic materialisation and availability of resources.

(b) Punctuality of Passenger trains on Asansol-Barddhaman section is by and large satisfactory. However, all steps including round the clock monitoring, time to time punctuality drives, etc. are taken to ensure punctual running of passenger trains on the section.

(c) and (d). Main line EMU rakes are being gradually inducted to replace the conventional rakes on this section. On date 16 passenger trains, out of 28, are worked by main line EMUs.

Using of Defence Forces

3542. SHRI DHARMABHIKSHAM : Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state :

(a) the number of times the Defence Forces were used during the last 2 years to restore normalcy in civil areas;

(b) whether experts have made any recommendations in this regard; and

(c) if so, the steps taken to implement these recommendations?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF DEFENCE (DEPARTMENT OF DEFENCE RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT) AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS (SHRI MALLIKARJUN) : (a) to (c). The Army continues to be deployed in the states of J&K Manipur, Nagaland and parts of Arunachal Pradesh on counter militancy duties

with a view to assisting the civil authorities in restoring normalcy. It also remained deployed on such duties in the state of Assam for considerable period in the past two to three years. Other than this, the number of times when the Army aid was provided for such purpose in the various parts of the country during the last two years is as under :-

	1994	1995
(a) For maintenance of law and order	11	-
(b) Assistance in amintenance of Essential Services	1	1
(c) Assistance during Natural Calamities	23	15

Army authorities are of the view that Army's role in aid to the civil authority should be minimized. The Government endorse this view.

With a view to reducing the commitment of the Army on such duties and to relieving them for their main role, a para military force (PMF), designated as Rashtriya Rifles, has been raised to perform the counter militancy duties. During periods of war it is envisaged to perform rear area security.

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Halt at Vidisha

3543. SHRI SHIVRAJ SINGH CHAUHAN : Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state :

(a) whether the Government have any proposal to provide a halt of Mahamaya Express at Vidisha station of the Central Railway;

(b) if so, the time by which this halt is likely to be provided; and

(c) if not, reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI SURESH KALMADI) : (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

(c) Lack of traffic justification.

New Railway Line

3544. SHRI SUSHIL CHANDRA VARMA : Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state :

(a) whether any survey has been conducted for laying of new Railway Lines in Madhya Pradesh;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the time by which decision is likely to be taken up?