Gauge Conversion

3691. SHRI LAETA UMBREY: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

- (a) whether there is any proposal for conversion of Metre Gauge into Broad Gauge from Raniya Murkong Selek in the North Bank of Brahmaputra;
- (b) if so, the details of the proposal along with financial provisions envisaged;
 - (c) if not, the reasons therefor; and
- (d) the length of this route and number of trains in service with frequency of each of these trains separately?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI SURESH KALMADI): (a) Yes, Sir.

- (b) The work is included in the first phase of the Action Plan and would be taken up in the coming years.
 - (c) Does not arise.
- (d) The length of the route is 450 Kms. The following daily trains are available on Rangiya-Rangapara North-Murkong Selek Section:

(A) Rangiya-Rangapara/North Section 1. 5715/5716 Passenger cum Express. (Daily) 2. 5813/5814 Arunachal Express. (Daily) 171/172 3. Passenger (Daily) 4. 173/174 Passenger (Daily) (B) Rangapara North-Murkong Section 5813/5814 Arunachal Express (Daily) Passenger (Daily) 175/176

Time Table

3692. SHRI BHUBANESHWAR PRASAD MEHTA: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

- (a) whether there is any restriction for printing/publishing of Railway Time Table in English by the private publishers and sale thereof;
- (b) whether the Government have issued any clear directives in this regard; and
 - (c) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI SURESH KALMADI): (a) to (c). No, Sir. Railways, However, publish English Time Tables on their own.

Rajiv One Million Housing Scheme

Written Answers

3693. PROF. K.V. THOMAS: Will the Minister of URBAN AFFAIRS AND EMPLOYMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) the number of Houses proposed to be constructed during the current year under Rajiv One Million Housing Scheme, State-wise;
- (b) whether adequate finance is earmarked for this project; and
 - (c) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN AFFAIRS AND EMPLOYMENT (DEPARTMENT OF URBAN EMPLOYMENT AND POVERTY ALLEVIATION) AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS (SHRI S.S. AHLUWALIA): (a) to (c) There is no Central Sector or Centrally Sponsored urban housing scheme of this nature.

Cerebral Malaria

3694. SHRI RAM KAPSE: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Cerebral Malaria is reappearing in several States and that such cases are on in the increase;
- (b) whether any survey was conducted or proposed to be conducted in this regard;
 - (c) if so, in which State; and
- (d) the action initiated by the Ministry on Cerebral Malaria control?

THE MINISTER OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI A.R. ANTULAY): (a) P. Falciparum Malaria which may lead to Cerebral Malaria has shown marginal increase during the last few years.

- (b) and (c). The Directorate of National Malaria Eradication Programme (NMEP) has been monitoring the Malaria situation including p. falciparum cases on a regular basis in all the States.
- (d) Steps taken for effective control of Malaria include:
 - Early detection and prompt treatment.
 - Vector Control through effective use of insecticides to interrupt transmission.
 - Anti-larval measures to eliminate mosquito breeding through source reduction, application of larvicides and adoption of bioenvironmental approaches.
 - Intensification of Health education activities to create awareness among the people to prevent Malaria.