at present in hand, on the South Eastern Railway and exhaustive data has to be collected to work out the viability of the proposal.

Delay in flights of Indian Airlines

1184. SHRI BRIJ BHUSHAN TIWARI: Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) the total number of flights of the Indian Airlines delayed due to unscheduled mechanical inspection during the last three years; and

(b) the average time taken in these inspections and how does it compare with the international average?

THE MINISTER OF ENERGY AND MINISTEROF CIVIL AVIATION (SHRI ARIF MOHAMMAD (HAN): (a) During the last three years, namely, 1987, 1988 and 1989, out of 3,12,365 flights operated by Indian Airlines, 5,698 flights (1.82%) were delayed by more than 30 minutes due to technical reasons.

(b) Indian Airlines does not have a system compiling average times of unscheduled mechanical inspections.

[English]

Privatisation of Public Sector Undertakings

1185. SHRI Y.S. RAJA SEKHAR REDDY: Will the Minister of INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) whether the World Bank has suggested privatisation of certain public undertakings in non-essential sector;

(b) if so, details thereof; and

(c) Government's reaction thereto?

THE MINISTER OF INDUSTRY (SHRI AJIT SINGH): (a) No, Sir.

(b) and (c). Do not arise.

[Translation]

Accident of 3151 Up Jammu-Tawi Express at Chaneti

1186. SHRISANTOSH KUMARGANG-WAR: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether an accident of 3151 Up Jammu-Tawi Express occurred at Chaneti Railway station on 23rd February, 1990;

(b) if so, the facts in this regard;

(c) whether 19 Kms. of rail line in the above sector is defective; and

(d) if so, the steps proposed to be taken for revival of the defective line?

THE MINISTER OF RAILWAYS (SHRI GEORGE FERNANDES): (a) and (b). On 23.2.90 at 13.32 hrs. 5 coaches of 3151 Sealdah-Jammu Tawi Express derailed at Chaneti station situated on Shahjahanpur-Bareilly Broad Gauge section of Moradabad Division of Northern Railway. As a consequence, the train suffered a detention of 40 minutes.

> There was no casualty. (c) No, Sir.

(d) Does not arise.

Electrification of Kanpur-Lucknow Rallway Line

1187. SHRI KESHRI LAL: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

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(a) whether there is any proposal for the electrification of the railway line between Kanpur and Lucknow; and

(b) if so, when this line is likely to be electrified?

THE MINISTER OF RAILWAYS (SHRI GEORGE FERNANDES): (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

Industrial Projects in Rajasthan

1188. SHRI GIRDHARI LAL BHAR-GAVA: Will the Minister of INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is persistent demand from Government of Rajasthan to set up more industrial projects in the State;

(b) whether any proposals have been received from the State Government in this regard: and

(c) if so, the action taken by Government thereon?

THE MINISTER OF INDUSTRY (SHRI AJIT SINGH): (a) to (c). During the period 1987 to 1989, 30 industrial licence applications from the various State Government Undertakings/Corporations of Rajasthan were received. Out of these, 16 applications have been approved and letters of intent have been granted to the concerned State Government Undertaking/Corporations. Of the remaining 14 applications, 13 have been rejected or otherwise disposed of and 1 is under process.

[English]

Trains between Amritsar and Kanpur

1189. SHRI KIRPAL SINGH: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is no direct train service from Amritsar to Kanpur;

(b) if so, whether Government propose to start a train on this route; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF RAILWAYS (SHRI GEORGE FERNANDES): (a) 8101/8102 Muri Express provides direct service between Kanpur and Amritsar.

(b) and (c). Do not arise.

[Translation]

Mining in Lalmatia Coalfield

1190. SHRI JANARDAN YADAV: Will the Minister of ENERGY be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that only 'F' quality of coal is found in abundance in Lalmatia coal mines;

(b) whether the said quality coal is ideal for the super thermal power stations;

(c) if so, whether Government propose to undertake mining at a greater speed in this mine; and

(d) if so, by what time and if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF ENERGY AND MINISTER OF CIVIL AVIATION (SHRI ARIF MOHAMMAD KHAN): (a) to (d). Yes, Sir. Coal found in Lalmatia coal mines is suitable for use in super thermal power stations and a project based on Lalmatia coal with an annual capacity of 10.50 million tonnes is already under implementation. The project is expected to be completed by March, 1995.