

(a) whether there is any proposal to link Chandigarh with Patiala, Ludhiana, Jalandhar, Amritsar, Pathankot, Jammu, Bhatinda, Ferozepur and Abohar, Fazilka towns by extending Rajpura-Ambala rail line upto Chandigarh for economic development of the area;

(b) if so, when; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF RAILWAYS (SHRI GEORGE FERNANDES): (a) Rajpura is already connected to Chandigarh via Ambala by Rail.

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

[English]

Mathur Inquiry Report on Ahmedabad Crash

1207. SHRI SANAT KUMAR MANDAL: Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Mathur Inquiry Report into the Ahmedabad crash of the Indian Airlines plane is proposed to be placed before Parliament;

(b) if not, the reasons therefor; and

(c) the broad features of the Report and the reaction of Government thereon?

THE MINISTER OF ENERGY AND MINISTER OF CIVIL AVIATION (SHRI ARIF MOHAMMAD KHAN): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

(c) The report is under examination.

Enquiry Committee Report on Mahavir Colliery Disaster

1208. SHRI SANAT KUMAR MANDAL:
SHRI BANWARI LAL PUROHIT:
SHRI HARADHAN ROY:
SHRI SHEO SHARAN VERMA:

Will the Minister of ENERGY be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have received the report of the Enquiry Committee set up to ascertain the causes of flooding of the Mahavir Colliery of Eastern Coalfields Ltd. in November, 1989;

(b) if so, the findings thereof and action taken thereon; and

(c) the remedial measures taken or proposed to be taken to prevent such mishaps in future?

THE MINISTER OF ENERGY AND MINISTER OF CIVIL AVIATION (SHRI ARIF MOHAMMAD KHAN): (a) to (c). Coal India Limited constituted a committee of mining experts to find out the circumstances of the accident of flooding of the Mahavir Colliery in November, 1989 and whether such conditions exist in any other mine(s) and to lay down a drill for preventing such accidents in future. The Committee was asked to submit its report by 31st March, 1990 and it has not yet been received.

Import of LPG

1209. SHRI SRIKANTHA DATTA NARASIMHA RAJA WADIYAR: Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND CHEMICALS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the import of LPG has been increasing every year;