[Translation]

2nd Class Coaches in Delhi-Lucknow Shatabdi Express and Superfast Train between Kanpur and Delhi

- 1313. SHRI KESHRI LAL: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:
- (a) whether Government propose to provide additional Second Class bogies in the Shatabdi Express running between Delhi and Lucknow;
 - (b) if so, when;
 - (c) if not, the reasons therefor;
- (d) whether Government propose to introduce a non-stop superfast train for passengers travelling in Second Class between Kanpur and Delhi;
 - (e) if so, when; and
 - (f) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF RAILWAYS (SHRI GEORGE FERNANDES): (a) There is no second class coach running by New Delhi-Lucknow Shatabdi Express nor is there any proposal to attach such a coach.

- (b) Does not arise.
- (c) The inflow of air, dust and noise at that high speed will be highly uncomfortable to the passengers.
 - (d) No, Sir.
 - (e) Does not arise.
- (f) Resource and line capacity constraints.

New Train between Fatehpur;and Etawah

- 1314. SHRI KESHRI LAL: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:
- (a) whether Government propose to introduce a new train between Fatehpur and Etawah railway stations;
 - (b) if so, by what time; and
 - (c) if not, the reasons therefor?

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

- (b) Does not arise.
- (c) Operational and resource constraints.

[English]

Special Trains for Women in Bombay

- 1315. SHRIMATI JAYAWANTI NAV-INCHANDRA MEHTA: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:
- (a) whether Government propose to increase the number of ladies compartments in suburban trains in Bombay taking into consideration the increase in female passengers during the last few years;
 - (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) whether there is any proposal to run special trains between Bombay V.T. and Kalyan for women passengers only during peak hours?

THE MINISTER OF RAILWAYS (SHRI GEORGE FERNANDES): (a) and (b). Substantial accommodation in Suburban trains running in Bombay area has already been earmarked for female passengers. Any

further increase at the cost of general accommodation is not feasible at present.

(c) No, Sir.

[Translation]

Swai Madhopur-Bikaner-Jodhpur Broad Gauge Line

- 1316. SHRI GIRDHARI LAL BHAR-GAVA: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:
- (a) whether there is a proposal for the construction of broad gauge rail line from Sawai Madhopur to Bikaner and Jodhpur;
- (b) If so, the places which will be connected by this line; and
- (c) whether the survey work of the line has been completed and if not, the time by which it will be completed and administrative approval granted?

THE MINISTER OF RAILWAYS (SHRI GEORGE FERNANDES): (a) and (b). Yes, Sir. The proposal involves, inter alia, the following:—

A. Conversion of existing MG lines to broad gauge,

Sawai Madhopur-Jaipur

- ii. Merta Road-Jodhpur
- iii. Merta Road-Lalgarh (Bikaner)
- B. Parallel broad gauge line along existing MG line Jaipur-Phulera

The place to be connected would be along the existing lines only.

(c) Survey work has been completed and the above proposal included in the Rail-

way Budget 1990-91.

Shuttle Trains from Jaipur to Phulera

- 1317. SHRI GIRDHARI LAL BHAR-GAVA: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state.
- (a) whether Government propose to introduce shuttle trains between Jaipur and Phulera in view of heavy density of passenger traffic on this route;
 - (b) if so, when; and
 - (c) if not, the reasons therefor?

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

- (b) Does not arise.
- (c) Not feasible due to operational and resource constraints.

Solar Power Plant in Rajasthan

- 1318. SHRI GIRDHARI LAL BHAR-GAVA: Will the Minister of ENERGY be pleased to state:
- (a) whether Rajasthan Government has submitted a proposal to set up a solar energy plant in Jodhpur;
- (b) if so, whether the proposal has been cleared by Government;
- (c) whether financial sanction has also been accorded to implement the proposal; and
- (d) if not, the reasons therefor and the time by which it is likely to be accorded?

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