

**Mandar Hill-Vaidhnath Dham Rail Link**

1322. SHRI JANARDAN YÁDAV: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government propose to extend Mandar Hill railway line in Bihar upto Vaidhnath Dham;

(b) if so, the time by which it is likely to be done; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF RAILWAYS (SHRI GEORGE FERNANDES): (a) to (c). Due to acute constraint of resources for new lines and heavy commitments on hand, there is no proposal at present, to extend Mandar Hill railway line upto Baidyanath Dham.

**Rampur Hat-Dumka-Vaidhnath Dham Rail Link**

1323. SHRI JANARDAN YADAV: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government propose to extend the railway line from Rampurhat to Vaidhnath Dham via Dumka; and

(b) if so, when and if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF RAILWAYS (SHRI GEORGE FERNANDES): (a) and (b). Due to acute constraint of resources for new line projects and heavy commitments in hand, there is no proposal at present to extend the railway line from Rampur Hat to Baidyanath Dham via Dumka.

**Level Crossing between Mudlana and Israna Railway Station**

1324. SHRI KAPIL DEV SHASTRI: Will

the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) the criteria for providing level crossings to regulate traffic on the roads passing through railway lines;

(b) whether there is no level crossing on Gohana, Jawara Road passing through the railway lines between Mudlana and Israna stations on Gohana-Panipat rail track; and

(c) if so, the time by which this level crossing is likely to be provided there?

THE MINISTER OF RAILWAYS (SHRI GEORGE FERNANDES): (a) The Railways provide level crossings, in consultation with the concerned State Government at the time of laying new railway lines as also during a further period of 10 years after commissioning the new lines and bear the entire cost. Thereafter, new level crossings are provided only if proposed by the State Government/ Local Authority duly consenting to meet both the initial and recurring expenditure.

(b) At present, there is no level crossing. However, a proposal for a level crossing at Km. 48.7 on Rohtak-Panipat Section has recently been sponsored by the State Government.

(c) Action can be taken when the plans are approved and the estimated cost deposited by the State Government.

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**Infrastructural Facilities at Airports**

1325. SHRI P.M. SAYEED: Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether the infrastructural facilities at airports and air routes in India have kept pace with the increase in air traffic and air