

such proposal at present.

(b) Does not arise.

[English]

**Damage to School Building due to
Excavation by Metro Railways**

18. DR. DEBI PRASAD PAL: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are aware that due to excavation by the Metro Railways in Shyambazar area of Calcutta, the building of one of the schools of the locality is on the verge of collapse;

(b) if so, the steps taken by Government to save the building of the school; and

(c) if no steps have been taken, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF RAILWAYS (SHRI GEORGE FERNANDES): (a) The building which is 134 years old, though damaged, is not on the verge of collapse.

(b) Steps as required for strengthening

the building by way of immediate repairs and under-pinning have already been taken in hand and are in progress.

(c) Does not arise.

**Gas Based Projects in North Eastern
Region**

19. SHRI SONTOSH MOHAN DEV: Will the Minister of ENERGY be pleased to state:

(a) whether the whole of North Eastern Region is full of potentialities for development of gas based projects;

(b) if so, whether any schemes for harnessing this potential source of energy is being formulated by his Ministry; and

(c) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF ENERGY AND MINISTER OF CIVIL AVIATION (SHRI ARIF MOHAMMAD KHAN): (a) to (c). Depending upon the availability of natural gas, various gas based power generating schemes have been taken up in the North-Eastern Region. The details are given in the statement below.

STATEMENT

(i) The following schemes were approved for execution in the North-Eastern Region:—

Sl. No.	Name of the Project	Capacity
1	2	3
1.	Lakwa GT Phase-II (Assam)—ASEB	60 MW
2.	Rokhia GT (Tripura)	16 MW
3.	Baramura GT (3rd Unit) (Tripura)	5 MW
4.	Kathalguri CCGT (Assam)	270 MW
5.	Lakwa (Gas based Waste heat Recovery Unit) (Assam)	22 MW

(ii) The National Thermal Power Corporation (NTPC) have been advised to prepare a Feasibility report for the setting up of a 500 MW gas based power station in the Central Sector in Tripura for benefits in the Eighth Plan period.