

(d) the reasons for decline in the number of visitors this year as compared to earlier fairs;

(e) whether Hindi has been neglected in this World Book Fair; and

(f) if so, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI ARUN SINGH): (a) According to the Trade Fair Authority of India 1,71,257 entry tickets were sold during the World Book Fair from 1-9, February, 1992. In addition, the Trust had issued 8000 multiple entry passes and librarians, academics etc. were allowed entry against invitation letters.

(b) According to the information given by the participants, books worth Rs.3.25 crores were sold.

(c) The number of entry tickets sold during the 9th and the 8th World Book Fair were 1,17,133 and 1,69,455 respectively. The comparative figures for the turnover are not available because Trust was not able to collect this information from the participants.

(d) The number of visitors have not declined in the Tenth New Delhi World Book Fair held this year. On the contrary, there has been an increase as compared to earlier fairs.

(e) and (f). No. Sir. Hindi has not been neglected in the 10th New Delhi World Book Fair. Whereas only 73 and 101 participants dealing in Hindi books participated in the 8th and 9th World Book Fairs respectively, the number of participants went up to 164 in the 10th New Delhi World Book Fair. Moreover, the participants dealing in Hindi books were allotted space in the "Hall of Nations" which is the most prestigious hall in Pragati Maidan. They were also provided new exhibition equipment and allowed 50% concession in the rental.

Manufacturing of Coaches/Wagons in Jamalpur Locomotive Workshop

4399. SHRI BRAHMANAND MANDAL: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) the total number of coaches and wagons required by the Railways each year;

(b) the sources from where this requirement is being met;

(c) the steps being taken for the modernisation of Jamalpur Locomotive Workshop in view of the phasing out of the steam locomotives by the next decade; and

(d) whether the Government propose to undertake the manufacturing of rail coaches and wagons at Jamalpur Locomotive Workshop, in view of the shortage of rail coaches and wagons in the country, for which infrastructure is available there?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI MALLIKARJUN): (a) Requirements in the Eighth Five Year Plan have been projected at about 21,960 coaches and 1,50,000 wagons.

(b) Coaches from Integral Coach Factory, Madras and Rail Coach Factory at Kapurthala, both in the railway sector; and Bharat Earth Moves Ltd., and Jessops both Public Sector Undertakings; and wagons from wagon building units both in the private and public sectors.

(c) Modernisation of Jamalpur workshop has been taken up and with phasing out of steam locomotives, the capacity in the shop would be increasingly used for periodic overhaul of diesel locomotives.

(d) No, Sir.