PING AND TRANSPORT be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Working Group on Shipbuilding is giving priority to ancillary units in Seventh Five Year Plan with more subsidy and incentives;
- (b) if so, whether similar advantage will be given in a bigger dimension to Port Engineering and Hooghly Dock and Engineering Unit of Government of India Undertaking; and
- (c) the details of subsidy and incentive plan for the ancillary units?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SHIPPING AND TRANS-PORT (SHRI Z. R. ANSARI): (a) The Working Group on Shipbuilding has placed ancillary development programme on top priority during the Seventh Five Year Plan. As per Industrial Policy Resolution, 1956, ancillary units are given incentives similar to that of small scale industries. In addition, the major shipyards are also coordinating development of ancillary units with the State Government as per guideline issued by the Bureau of Public Enterprises. However, as of now, there is no specific subsidy to ancillary industry.

- (b) The Hooghly Dock & Port Engineering Works is not considered an ancillary unit. As such, there is no scheme, at present, for extending such benefits to this organisation. However, assistance to be given to the ancillary units related to Shipyards will be coordinated through the Public Sector Shipyards.
- (c) Apart from the incentives already extended as per Industrial Policy Resolution, 1956, assistance may be provided in the following areas also during the Seventh Five Year Plan depending on suitable scheme on its merit:
  - (i) Securing designs and technical knowhow;
  - (ii) Manufacture of jigs, pattern and fixtures;
- (iii) Testing facilities.

## Conversion of Latur-Miraj Rail Line into Broad Gauge

2579. SHRI SAHEBRAO PATIL DONGAONKAR: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) the progress made so far regarding conversion of Latur-Miraj rail line into broad gauge rail line; and
- (b) the amount sanctioned for the conversion of this rail line?

THE MINISTER OF RAILWAYS (SHRI BANSI LAL): (a) and (b). Due to severe constraint of resources, it is not possible to undertake conversion of Latur-Miraj Railway line at present.

## Connecting Malkongiri With Jeypore Station

2580. SHRI K. PRADHANI: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Government of Orissa have sent a proposal to connect Malkongiri with Jeypore Station of D.B.K. Railway as this Malkongiri area is full of lime stones very useful for cement factory;
- (b) if so, the reaction of Government thereto; and
- (c) what will be the cost of this railway line?

THE MINISTER OF RAILWAYS (SHRI BANSI LAL) (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) and (c). No survey for this line has so far been conducted. However, in view of the severe constraint of resources and heavy commitments already in hand, the proposal will have to await consideration till the resources position improves.

## National Register For Medical Practitioners

2581. SHRI G.G. SWELL:
SHRI MATI GEETA MUKHERJEE:
SHRI INDRAJIT GUPTA;

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state: