

- (iv) Indian Institute of Technology, New Delhi.
- (v) Bhabha Atomic Research Centre, Bombay.
- (vi) Poona University, Pune.
- (vii) Madurai Kamraj University, Madurai.
- (viii) Institute for Microbial Technology, Chandigarh.

#### Railway Time Tables

195. SHRI G.V. RAMA RAO : Will the Minister of Railways be pleased to state :

(a) whether Time Tables are being brought on time on the railways and if not, the details thereof for last 3 years and remedial steps taken ;

(b) whether all India Time Table (Bradshaw) is being brought out by a Private Company on payment of royalty to the Railways and if so, the details thereof ;

(c) what is the total expenditure on publication including staff on Time Tables for the last 3 years and returns therefrom, including advertisements ; and

(d) whether Government will consider handing over this job to private reputed firms, which is likely to be more profitable to the Railways by fixing sale price for public at present rates ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI MADHAVRAO SCINDIA) : (a) to (d). Information is being collected and will be laid on the table of the Sabha.

#### Opening of Public Schools

196. SHRI ANAND SINGH : Will the Minister of EDUCATION be pleased to state :

(a) whether Government has been thinking of opening a large number of

public schools which would serve as pace setters and besides promoting education also promote national integration ; and

(b) if so, the salient features of the scheme ?

THE MINISTER OF EDUCATION (SHRI K.C. PANT) : (a) and (b). There is no proposal under consideration of Government to open a large number of public schools. However, the Government is considering the setting up of model schools at the district level during the 7th Plan period. The details of the scheme are being worked out.

#### Replacement of Railway Tracks in Railway Zones

197. SHRI ANAND SINGH : Will the Minister of Railways be pleased to state :

(a) the extent of out-dated length of railway track requiring replacement as at present in different Railway Zones (Broad Gauge and Metre Gauge, separately) ;

(b) the estimated cost of its replacement,

(c) the details of the time bound programme of replacement if any laid down ; and

(d) the proposed allocation of funds for the purpose this year ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI MADHAVRAO SCINDIA) : (a) The arrears of track renewals at present are estimated approximately as under :—

Railway Zone	BG (Kms)	MG (Kms)	Total (Kms)
Central	2117	—	2117
Eastern	1489	—	1489
Northern	2467	851	3318
North Eastern	—	1609	1609