

**[Translation]****Conversion of Bikaner Suratgarh Line into Broad Gauge**

2576. SHRI MANPHOOL SINGH CHAUDHARY: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state :

(a) whether metre gauge line between Bikaner and Suratgarh is being replaced by broad gauge line ;

(b) whether due to construction of broad gauge line the level of the line has gone up considerably and all traffic has come to a stand-still due to closure of temporary crossings ;

(c) if so, whether the Railway Department propose to make these railway crossings accessible and convenient for the movement of traffic ; and

(d) whether Railway Department are also considering to construct overbridge one of the railway crossings in Bikaner ?

THE MINISTER OF RAILWAYS (SHRI BANSI LAL): (a) Yes, Sir. The Gauge Conversion of the Suratgarh-Bikaner M.G. line into B.G. is an approved project and is in progress.

(b) and (c) : While raising of banks is being done at some locations in connection with the Conversion project no traffic has been allowed to come to stand still. There are no temporary level crossings and their closure does not arise.

(d) The question of construction of Road Over Bridge will be examined on receipt of proposals from the State Government which will be independent of the Suratgarh-Bikaner Conversion Project.

**[English]****Proposal to Set up National Institute of Homoeopathy in Orissa**

2577. SHRI RADHAKANTA DIGAL : Will the Minister of

HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state :

(a) whether Government have a proposal to set up some National Institutes of Homoeopathy in the country ;

(b) if so, the names of the places where such Institutes are proposed to be set up ;

(c) whether Government propose to set up any such Institute in Orissa ; and

(d) if so, the names of the places identified in Orissa for the location of such National Institute of Homoeopathy?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH (SHRI YOGENDRA MAKWANA) :

(a) and (b) : A National Institute of Homoeopathy is already functioning in Calcutta.

(c) No Sir,

(d) Does not arise.

**Overbridge at Nidadvalu Railway Level Crossing**

2578. SHRI SRIHARI RAO : Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether he is aware that the railway level crossing at Nidadvalu remains closed for long periods causing a lot of inconvenience to the people ;

(b) whether he is also aware that this level crossing is near the place where ONGC is carrying on drilling operations and consequently there is detention to traffic ; and

(c) if so, whether in the interest of smooth flow of traffic and preventing accidents, he is considering to provide an over-bridge at the spot?

**THE MINISTER OF RAILWAY (SHRI BANSI LAL) :** (a) and (b) : It is a B Class manned level crossing with normal position open to road traffic. It is a fact that it is a busy level crossing.

(c) Replacement of level crossings by road over bridges is taken up on cost sharing basis with the State Government. Due to financial constraints only a limited number of works are sanctioned every year and it has not been possible to plan this work so far.

**Visva Bharati Project to Cast the Sculpture**

2579. **SHRIMATI BIBHA GHOSH GOSWAMI :** Will the Minister of EDUCATION be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that the Visva-Bharati authorities approached Government for additional fund for the work to cast the most acclaimed piece of Ram Kinkar Baij "The Santhal Family" ;

(b) whether Union Government have released necessary funds for this purpose ;

(c) if so, when and the details thereof ; and

(d) if not the reasons for the delay ?

**THE MINISTER OF EDUCATION (SHRI K. C. PANT) :** (a) The National Gallery of Modern Art has entered into an agreement to get a bronze cast of the sculpture 'Santhal Family' with two sculptors, at a cost of Rs. 4,80,800/-. The Visva-Bharati has sought an additional grant for a second cast of the sculpture.

(b) to (d) : The bronze casting was to be done by June, 1984. However, the work has not been completed so far. For completion of the work, an additional grant of Rs. 50,000/- has

been sanctioned subject to the work being completed satisfactorily by November, 1985. The Visva-Bharati's request for grants for a second cast of the sculpture has not however been accepted so far.

**Allocation For Development of Port Facilities**

2580. **SHRI CHINTAMANI PANIGRAHI :** Will the Minister of SHIPPING AND TRANSPORT be pleased to state :

(a) the amount allocated for development of Port facilities during the year 1985 ; and

(b) the port-wise details thereof?

**THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF SHIPPING AND TRANSPORT (SHRI Z.R. ANSARI) :** (a) and (b) : Allocation for development of port facilities at the major ports is done financial year-wise and not calendar year-wise. The allocation port-wise, in the annual plan for 1985-86 is as follows :

	(Rs. in crores)
1. Calcutta/Haldia	18.95
2. Bombay	39.60
3. Madras	29.25
4. Cochin	13.50
5. Visakhapatnam	19.20
6. Kandla	12.80
7. Mormugao	4.75
8. Paradip	23.85
9. Tuticorin	6.00
10. New Mangalore	8.00
11. Nhava Sheva	40.00
<b>Total All Ports:-</b>	<b>215.90</b>