(b) the other steps being contemplated to improve the level of hospital management in the country?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY (KUMARI WELFARE SAROJ KHAPARDE): (a) No. Sir,

(b) Orientation courses for top managemiddle management and lower ment. management personnel in collaboration with the Indian Statistical Institute of Delhi are conducted with a view to improve the level of hospital management.

Kota-Gupa Railway Line

2561. SHRI JUJHAR SINGH: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state: when the Kota-Guna railway line was laid and the improvement made in this line since its construction?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF **RAILWAYS** (SHRI MADHAVRAO SCINDIA): Kota-Guna Railway Line was laid down during 1899 to 1909. A number of improvements in respect of track structure, crossing stations and passenger amenity works have been carried out.

Railway Line Between Bombay-Mangalore Via Goa

2562. SHRI G. BHOOPATHY: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state :

- (a) whether Government had taken up the programme of constructing the railway line between Bombay-Mangalore via Goa, if so, whether the survey operations have been completed; and
- (b) the estimated cost of the project and when the work is likely to start?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI MADHAVRAO SCINDIA): (a) and (b) Rail line from Bombay end has been commissioned upto Roha. Survey and

updating of earlier surveys for different Sections between Roha and Mangalore have been taken up to determine its estimated cost and evaluate the project as a whole. Further action will be considered on completion of surveys' depending on availability of resources.

Loss to Southern Railway Due to Agitation

2563. SHRI V.S. KRISHNA IYER: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state the total loss to the Southern Railway due to agitation during August, September and October, 1986 in Bangalore-Mysore Sector in connection with the backward classes' report submitted by Shri Venkataswamy?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF **RAILWAYS** MADHAVRAO SCINDIA): The total loss to Railways due to the agitation in Bangalore-Mysore Sector is estimated to be about Rs. 5.81 lakhs.

[Translation]

Unfilled Oxygen Cylinders in Safdarjang Hospital

2564. DR. CHANDRA SHEKHAR TRIPATHI: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it is a fact that Oxygen cylinders usually remain unfilled/vacant in casualty department of Safdarjung Hospital and the patients cannot get oxygen at the time it is required:
- (b) if so, whether Government propose to take any remedial steps; and
- (c) if so, by what time and if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (KUMARI SAROJ KHAPARDE): (a) No, Sir. There is no occasion when Oxygen Cylinders in the Casualty Departments remains unfilled