

TRIPATHI : Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that a large amount of licence fee in respect of railway land and shops in Northern and North Eastern Railways is outstanding;

(b) whether it is also a fact that the said outstanding amount is increasing continuously;

(c) if so, whether any effective steps have been taken by Government to recover such dues;

(d) if so, the details and the results thereof; and

(e) if not, steps have been taken the reasons therefor ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI MADHAVRAO SCINDIA) : (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) No, Sir.

(c) Yes, Sir.

(d) Railways have been directed to liquidate the outstanding dues by constant chasing with the defaulters. As a result, outstanding dues on Northern Railway have been brought down from Rs. 1,29,87,000 as on 31.3.85 to Rs. 97,83,000 as on 31.3.86. On North Eastern Railway the outstanding dues have come down from Rs. 78,81,251 as on 31.3.85 to Rs. 57,52,619 as on 31.12.86.

(e) Does not arise.

[*Translation*]

Level Crossing gates in Rural Areas

5498. SHRI VIRDHI CHANDER JAIN : Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that due to lesser number of level crossing gates in rural areas of the country, farmers in the desert areas have to cover a distance of 6 to 15 kilometres more to reach their destinations;

(b) if so, the steps being taken or proposed to be taken by Railways to remove their difficulty;

(c) the amount provided for this purpose for 1986-87 and the number of places where level crossing gates have been provided with this amount; and

(d) the programme in this regard for the year 1987-88 ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI MADHAVRAO SCINDIA) : (a) May be, Sir.

(b) Railways provide sufficient number of level crossings at the time of laying new railway lines and also during the period of 10 years after commissioning the line. After this period additional level crossings are provided by Railways on deposit terms if sponsored by State Government/Local Authority.

(c) and (d). Do not arise in view of reply to (b) above.

[*English*]

Desilting of Reservoir above Prakasam Barrage

5499. SHRI V. SOBHANADREESWARA RAO : Will the Minister of WATER RESOURCES be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that the reservoir above Prakasam barrage on Krishna River at Vijayawada has silted up considerably reducing the storage capacity to a considerable extent;

(b) if so, the measures proposed to remove the siltage with small size dredgers mounted on big boats; and

(c) whether this item will be included in the Seventh Plan ?

THE MINISTER OF WATER RESOURCES (SHRI B. SHANKARANAND) : (a) The Prakasam Barrage is a diversion structure and temporary shoaling of a minor nature occurs during floods which does not affect the flow conditions.

(b) and (c). Do not arise.

Installation of Closed Circuit T.V. Sets at Railway Stations in Andhra Pradesh

5500. SHRI V. SOBHANADREES-

WARA RAO : Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state :

(a) the total expenditure involved in installation of closed circuit colour T.V. sets at railway stations in Andhra Pradesh;

(b) the basis on which the railway stations are selected for this purpose in Andhra Pradesh; and

(c) the number and names of the railway stations in Andhra Pradesh where the T.V. sets are proposed to be installed in the next two years ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI MADHAVRAO SCINDIA) : (a) In Andhra Pradesh Coloured Closed Circuit T.V. is already in operation at Secunderabad and Waltair stations and is expected to be commissioned at Vijaywada shortly. Railways have not incurred any expenditure in installing Closed Circuit Colour T.V. sets at railway stations. These systems have been installed and are maintained by the private entrepreneurs at their own cost.

(b) Selection of railway stations is based on density of traffic and importance.

(c) In addition to the two stations mentioned in Part (a) above, Colour CCTV sets are proposed to be installed at ten more stations in Andhra Pradesh as follows :

1. Hyderabad 2. Kacheguda 3. Kazipet
4. Guntur 5. Rajahmundry. 6 Tenali
7. Nellore 8. Guntakal 9. Tirupati and
10. Cuddapah.

Railway Overbridges in the Country

5501. SHRI RAJ KUMAR RAI : Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state :

(a) the number of railway overbridges in the country in respect of which foundation stone has been laid or construction work has been taken up indicating the locations of these overbridges;

(b) the amount allocated for the construction of each overbridge during 1986-87 and 1987-88; and

(c) whether this amount is being utilised properly ?

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

Committee on Rational use of Drugs

5502. DR. B.L. SHAILESH : Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state :

(a) whether the 4 Member Committee set up by Government to formulate the guidelines for promoting rational use of drugs in the country has since submitted its report;

(b) if so, the broad recommendations/suggestions made therein; and

(c) Government's reaction thereto ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (KUMARI SAROJ KHAPARDE) : (a) A 7 member Sub-Committee of the Drugs Consultative Committee which is a statutory body under the provisions of the Drugs and Cosmetics Act, has been constituted to monitor formulations marketed in the country from the angle of safety, efficacy and rationality. This Sub-Committee has not yet submitted its report to the Drugs Consultative Committee.

(b) and (c). Do not arise.

Treatment of Drug Addicts

**5503. SHRI CHINTAMANI JENA :
SHRI MOHANBHAI PATEL :
SHRI JAGANNATH PATT-
NAIK :**

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

(a) the number of units where drug addicts are treated in the country;

(b) whether there is any proposal to open more units to treat drug addicts in the country and particularly in all the Government hospitals ?