THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENTS YOUTH AFFAIRS AND SPORTS AND WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOP-MENT (SHRIMATI MARGARET ALVA): (a) to (d) The Government have been receiving from time to time proposals for central financial assistance from Government of Kerala for development of sports infrastructure in the State. The State Government have made certain proposals which include construction of 32 stadia in Municipal towns, construction of 6 indoor stadia, two swimming pools, three synthetic tracks and two sports complexes, besides. upgradation of existing infrastructure facilities and setting up of one NIS Training Centre and have sought central financial assistance to the tune of Rs. 27.50 crores in this context. In respect of the proposals. for which the required details have been received from the Government of Kerala. an amount of Rs. 120 lakhs in 1986-87 has heen sanctioned.

Unit cost of Operation on Broad Gauge

1458. SHRI C. JANGA REDDY: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state the unit cost of operation on Broad Gauge with electrical, diesel and steam engines separately, in passenger and goods traffic (on an average) during each of the last 3 years and the current year and also the target planned for the next year (1987-88) ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI MADHAVRAO SCINDIA): The cost of operation and maintenance per 1000 Gross tonne kilometres on Broad Gauge in respect of electric, diesel and steam engines passenger and goods traffic (on an average) during each of last three years i.e. 1983-84, 1984-85 (actuals), and 1985-86 (estimated) and the current year 1986-87 (estimated) is indicated in the statement given below.

The likely unit cost for the next year (1987-88) can be arrived at only after the Budget Estimates for 1987-88 are approved by the Parliament.

Comparative cost of Operating Electric I level and steam Engines on broad Gauge

	(Unit Cost in Rs. per 1000 Gross Tonne Kilometres)	
	Passenger Traffic	Goods Traffic
1983-84		
Electric	27.24	13.84
Diesel	28.06	18.75
Steam	66.02	126 54
1984-85		
Blectric	3 0.8 6	15.06
Diesel	30.08	18.35
Steam	90.71	186.69
1985-86 (E	stimated)	
Electric	33.59	15.93
Diesel	32.75	19.41
Steam	98.75	197.52
1986-87 (E	stimated)	
Electric	38.10	18.24
Diesel	37.13	22.23
Steam	111.98	226.16

National Railway Users Consultative Council

1459. PROF. NARAIN CHAND PARASHAR: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to refer to the reply given to Unstarred Question No. 2598 on 20 November, 1986 regarding National Railway Users' Consultative Committee and state :

- (a) whether the National Railway Users Consultative Council has since been constituted:
- (b) if so, the composition thereof alongwith the date on which it was constituted :
- (c) if not, the reaons for delay alongwith date from which the previous Committee ceased to function; and
- (d) the likely date by which the National Railway Users' Consultative Council is likely to be constituted?