

Upgradation of Metre Gauge trains

3796. SHRIMATI JAYANTI PATNAIK:
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Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether his Ministry has taken up a number of steps for both long term and short term improvements of passenger operations;

(b) if so, the details of those measures taken up so far;

(c) whether the upgradation of the existing metre gauge trains are some of the measures included under the above programme;

(d) if so, the amount earmarked therefor; and

(e) the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI MADHAVRAO SCINDIA): (a) and (b). Track modernisation; technological upgradation of coaches, locomotives and the signalling systems; rationalisation of the existing passenger services and introduction of new trains, where necessary, are the various long and short term measures.

(c) Yes, Sir.

(d) and (e). Funds for this purpose form part of the overall plan allocation for Railways, and there is no separate plan head for upgradation of the metre gauge system.

Funds to States for prevention of Encephalitis disease

3797. SHRI MULLAPPALLY RAMACHANDRAN: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state the allocation made, if any, to Sta-

tes/Union Territories for the prevention/cure of encephalitis disease?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (KUMARI SAROJ KHAPARDE): There is no plan scheme for the control of Japanese Encephalitis. However, the material assistance is being provided to the affected States for control of Japanese Encephalitis under National Malaria Eradication Programme

Kendriya Vidyalayas at Mandi and Simla

3798 PROF. NARAIN CHAND PARASHAR Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to refer to the reply given to Unstarred Question No. 4546 on 22 August, 1985 regarding Central Schools in Himachal Pradesh and state:

(a) whether the Kendriya Vidyalayas have since been opened at Mandi and Simla,

(b) whether the State Government has since demanded the opening of any more such Vidyalayas during the Seventh Plan, and

(c) if so, the details of the proposals received from the State Government in this regard alongwith the names of places districtwise where the Vidyalayas have since been sanctioned and opened?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENTS OF EDUCATION AND CULTURE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRIMATI KRISHNA SAHI): (a) The Kendriya Vidyalaya at Mandi has since been opened. The second Kendriya Vidyalaya at simla has not been opened.

(b) and (c). The State Government has requested for the opening of the Kendriya Vidyalayas at the following places:

1. Mandi Town