

Ayurveda and Siddha have been provided revised scales of pay as per recommendations of the Fourth Pay Commission for these categories of posts in these scales.

[English]

Restoration of Suspended N.G. Trains on Western Railway

2989. SHRI RANJIT SINGH GAEKWAD: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) the details regarding N.G Sections and trains in Gujarat on Western Railway that had been suspended during the past six months and have not been restored yet

(b) whether Government are aware that

N.G. Sections in Gujarat are passing through backward areas; and

(c) if so, the steps taken for recommencement of such suspended railway routes and trains?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI MADHAVRAO SCINDIA): (a) Details of N.G. trains which remained suspended as on 1.11.87 are given in the statement given below.

(b) and (c). Traffic requirements of the various sections have been kept in view while suspending certain trains as a measure of rationalisation of N.G. services as also due to water scarcity in some sections.

STATEMENT

Restoration of suspended N.G. trains on Western Railway

Details of N.G. Sections and Trains Remaining Suspended as on 31-10-87

S. No.	Section	Trains Description
1	2	3
<i>Rationalisation</i>		
1.	Ankleshwar-Rajpipla	135/158 Mixed
2.	Nadiad-Bhadran	181/182 Mixed
3.	—do—	183/184 Passenger
4.	Nadiad-Kapadvanj	163/166 Mixed
5.	Miyagam-Makrol	193/194 Mixed
6.	Dabhoi-Timba Road	225/226 Passenger
7.	Chanded-Dabhoi	248 Mixed
8.	—do—	195/196 Mixed
9.	Dabhoi-Malsar	209/210 Mixed
10.	Pratapnagar-Jambusar	197/198 Mixed
11.	—do—	215A/216A Passenger

1	2	3
12.	Pratapnagar-Dabhol	215 Passenger
13.	—do—	212 Passenger
14.	Samni-Dahej	217/218 Mixed
15.	—do—	231/232 Passenger
Water scarcity		
1	Joravarnagar-Sayla	490/491 Mixed
2.	Bhavnagar-Talaja	497/498 Mixed
3.	Bhavnagar-Mahuva	495/496 Mixed.

Performance of Public Sector Undertakings

2990. SHRI SRIKANTHA DATTA NARASIMHARAJA WADIYAR: Will the Minister of STEEL AND MINES be pleased to state:

(a) the production performance of public sector undertakings under his Ministry during this year;

(b) whether there have been steady improvement in the production performance;

(c) if so, the details thereof; and

(d) the efforts made to improve the performance further to achieve the annual target?

THE MINISTER OF STEEL AND MINES (SHRI M. L. FOTEDAR): (a) to (c) A State-

ment giving details in regards to the production performance of undertakings under the Department of Steel for the last 2 years and for the first 7 months of the current year, alongwith corresponding growth rates, is given below.

In so far as the undertakings under the Department of Mines are concerned, the information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the House.

(d) Improvement of production performance is a continuous process and efforts are being made not only to achieve planned targets but to exceed them. These efforts are by way of improving work-culture, better maintenance of plant and equipment, adherence to technological norms and better and more effective monitoring.