Trains collision at Algaswan Station

1631. SHRI DHARAM PAL SINGH MALIK:

SHRI M. RAGHUMA REDDY: SHRI SUBHASH YADAV:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether 66 DN Dehradun-Varanasi Express dashed against a goods train at Aigawan Station (near Lucknow) on 12 January, 1988;
- (b) if so, the estimated loss of lives and property as a result thereof;
- (c) whether any inquiry has since been conducted; and
 - (d) if so, the outcome thereof?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI MAHABIR PRASAD): (a) Yes, Sir.

- (b) 4 railway employees lost their lives and 6 persons including Guard of the Express train sustained simple injuries. Loss to railway property had been estimated at Rs.30.76 lakhs.
- (c) and (d). A statutory inquiry has been conducted into this accident by Commissioner of Railway Safety, Northern Circle, Lucknow, According to his provisional finding, the collision occurred due to Driver of 66 DN having passed the Down Advanced Starter Signal of Kahilia station, at danger.

Works Undertaken by Dredging Corporation of India

1632. SHRIMATI JAYANTI PATNAIK: Will the Minister of SURFACE TRANSPORT be pleased to state:

- (a) the works undertaken by Dredging Corporation of India during the last three years;
- (b) the orders received by the Corporation from different ports for capital and maintenance dredging during 1987-88; and
- (c) the details of the works proposed to be undertaken during 1988-89?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SURFACE TRANSPORT (SHRI RAJESH PILOT): (a) The works undertaken by Dredging Corporation of India during the last three years are as under:

1984-85

A CAPITAL DREDGING

- Capital Dredging for Fertiliser berth, Second and Third general cargo berth at Paradip Port Trust, Paradip.
- Capital Dredging (Phase-II) for Director General Naval Project Visakhapatnam..
- Capital Dredging of the Approach Channel, Turning Basin and Approaches to New Oil Berth in the Outer Harbour of Visakhapatnam Port Trust, Visakhapatnam.
- 4. Capital Dedging of Multi Purpose General Cargo Berth at Mormugao Port, Goa.
- 5. Capital Dredging of Approach Channel at Kakinada Port.
- 6. Capital Dredging of Main Harbour Channel of Bombay Port in connection with Oil Berth at Butcher island. Bombay.