

already been set up to ensure effective coordination in policy formulation on passenger amenities. A machinery for the redressal of passenger complaints is already in existence.

#### New diesel engine sheds

1743. SHRI MADAN PANDEY :  
SHRI RAJKUMAR RAI :

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state :

(a) whether Government propose to construct diesel engine sheds at certain places; if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether such a shed is also proposed to be constructed at Pipraich in Gorakhpur;

(c) if so, the time by which action is likely to be taken in this regard; and

(d) if not, the reasons therefor ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI MADHAVRAO SCINDIA) : (a) Yes, Sir. The following diesel locomotives sheds are under construction :

Railway	Location	Gauge
Eastern	Jamalpur	Broad Gauge
Northern	Lucknow	Broad Gauge
North Eastern	Izatnagar (Bareilly)	Metre Gauge
South Eastern	Bokaro Steel City	Broad Gauge
Western	Kota	Broad Gauge
Western	Bhavnagar	Metre Gauge
Western	Pratapnagar	Narrow Gauge

(b) No, Sir.

(c) Does not arise.

(d) Pipraich would not be a suitable location for a diesel shed for efficient Railway Operations in the area.

[English]

#### Hubli-Karwar railway line

1744. SHRI V. S. KRISHNA IYER :  
Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state :

(a) whether a survey has been undertaken to lay Hubli-Karwar railway line;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether Government propose to undertake the construction of this railway line; and

(d) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor ?

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

(b) The length of the proposed new rail line is 186 km and its approximate cost Rs. 204 crores. It is assessed to be a financially unremunerative proposal.

(c) and (d). No decision on its construction has been taken so far.

#### Grounding of Air India and Indian Airlines Boeings at Airports

1745. PROF. K.V. THOMAS :  
SHRI BHATTAM SRIRAMA  
MURTY :

Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM be pleased to state :

(a) the number of Boeing Planes and Airbus of Indian Airlines and Air India grounded during the last three years;

(b) the reasons for grounding these planes;

(c) whether this grounding of Aircrafts has resulted in the cancellation of flights;

(d) if so, the loss due to the grounding of Aircrafts;