

(d) if so, the number of bank officers against whom action has been taken for not giving minimum wages to workers; and

(e) the steps taken/proposed by Government so that workers in regional rural banks get minimum wages?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMIC AFFAIRS IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI EDUARDO FALEIRO): (a) to (e). The employees of Regional Rural Banks including sub-staff are paid wages and allowances payable to employees of comparable rank in the concerned State Government. Part-time messengers and part-time sweepers, are paid wages at the rate of 50% of the normal wages. National Bank for Agriculture & Rural Development has reported that there is no Regional Rural Bank where the stipulated norms are not being observed. Complaints in this regard whenever received are looked into for such remedial action as may be considered necessary.

[English]

Over bridges in Sonapat and Panipat

1163. SHRI CHIRANJI LAL SHARMA: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether there are proposals for construction of road-over bridges near Railway stations on Delhi-Amritsar route, particularly at Sonapat and Panipat in view of difficulties being faced by the public; and

(b) 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) Construction of the following road-over-bridges, jointly with the State Government on cost sharing basis, has already been sanctioned in the Railways' Budget:—

1. Road-over-bridge in replacement of level crossing No. 53-B at Panipat.
2. Road-over-bridge in replacement of level crossing No. 51-A at the Delhi end of Panipat Yard.
3. Road-over-bridge in replacement of level crossing No. 26-B at Sonapat.

Library facility in A.P. Express

1164. SHRI V. SOBHANADREESWARA RAO: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) when the facility of library in Andhra Pradesh Express was first introduced for the benefit of commuters;

(b) which are the other trains on which this facility has been provided;

(c) the reasons for the withdrawal of this facility on Andhra Pradesh Express; and

(d) whether Government will reconsider this matter and reintroduce the same for the benefit of the commuters on A.P. Express?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI MADHAVRAO SCINDIA): (a) The mobile library was introduced on 23.6.1985 in the first rake and on 11.1.1985 in the second rake of Andhra Pradesh Express.

(b) The mobile library was also provided on Minar and Konark Express trains by South Central Railway.

(c) The policy for provision of mobile library-cum-bookstalls on trains was reviewed on 14.5.1986. Introduction, continuation or withdrawal of this service is being decided in accordance with this policy.

(d) It is not proposed to re-introduce mobile library facility on A.P. Express.