

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF WATER RESOURCES AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS (SHRI M.M. JACOB): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) Before giving clearance to a project, all issues including environment aspects are given due consideration.

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#### **Reservation Quota at Aligarh and Hathras**

3530. SHRI PURAN CHANDRA: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government propose to increase the reservation quota of berths at Hathras and Aligarh railway stations particularly in 153 Up in view of difficulties being faced by the passengers in boarding the trains from these stations; and

(b) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI MADHAVRAO SCINDIA): (a) There is no such proposal at present.

(b) Does not arise.

#### **Conversion of Farrukhabad-Kanpur and Shikohabad M.G. Line to BG Line**

3531. SHRI PURAN CHANDRA: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is proposed to convert Farrukhabad-Kanpur-Shikohabad metre gauge line into broad gauge to provide direct line between Gorakhpur and Shikohabad via Farrukhabad; and

(b) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI MADHAVRAO SCINDIA): (a) and (b). Railway lines between Shikohabad and Kanpur as also Shikohabad and Farrukhabad are broad gauge lines. A survey is in progress for conversion of Farrukhabad-Kanpur section from M.G. to B.G.

#### **Rail Link between Kasganj-Atroll and Etah-Kasganj**

3532. SHRI PURAN CHANDRA: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it proposed to line Kasganj-Atroll railway line via Gagiri and Chharra and also to extend the railway line from Etah to Kasganj for the facility of people of these areas and

(b) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI MADHAVRAO SCINDIA): (a) and (b). There is no proposal for a new rail line from Kasganj to Atrauli Road. A survey for a new BG rail line from Etah to Kasganj has been approved as part of survey for conversion of Kanpur-Kasganj MG to BG and its extension to Aligarh.

#### **Expansion of goods-shed and platforms at Aligarh**

3533. SHRI PURAN CHANDRA: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is proposed to convert Aligarh goods-shed into an industrial estate and to extend the platforms to ease congestion; and