THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENTS OF EDUCATION AND CULTURE (SHRIMATI KRISHNA SAHI): (a) to (c). The UGC has received a charter of demands from the All India Federation of University and College Teachers Organisations. The major demands are:

- 1. Immediate publication of the Pay Revision Committee's report and interim relief for teachers in State universities and colleges.
- 2. A uniform running grade of Rs. 1500-4000 for Lecturers, Readers, and Professors from 1.4.78 and seperate grade of Rs. 1300-3000 for demonstrators.
- 3. Suitable revised scale for all other categories of teachers.
- 4. Statutory security of service for all teachers including those serving in minority-run institutions.
- 5. Representation of AIFUCTO on UGC and C.A B.E.
- 6. Democratisation of the governance of colleges and universities.
- 7. Full civic and political rights for teachers in colleges and universities.
- 8. Direct payment from the treasury.
- 9. Common cadre for +2 and +3 teachers.
- 10. Abolition of discrimination between the teachers of state and central universities and colleges affiliated to those with respect to all perquisities.
- 11. Age of superannuation not below 60 years.

A Pay Revision Committee appointed by the UGC for the revision of salary scales of teachers in universities and colleges has

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considered these of the demands which concern payscales and conditions of service of teachers. The Committee submitted its report in June 1988. The recommendations of the Committee have not yet been examined.

(d) Does not arise.

Railway Line between Bargarh (Orissa) and Raipur (Madhya Pradesh)

2044 SHRIMATI JAYANTI PAT-NAIK : Will the Minister of TRANSPORT be pleased to state :

(a) whether there is any proposal under consideration of Government to construct a railway line connecting Bargarh (Orissa) and Raipur (Madhya Pradesh);

(b) if so, whether the survey work of the proposed line is likely to be started in 1986-87; and

(c) if so, the steps taken in the matter ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF RAILWAYS (SHRI MADHAVRAO SCINDIA): (a) to (c) Survey for augmentation of line capacity for Champa-Durg Jharsuguda section has been approved. Various alternatives including survey for a new line would be studied. Further action will be considered after the survey is completed.

[Translation]

News-Item "Dakhilon Mein Dalit Chhatron Se Bhedbhay"

2045. SHRI RAM DHAN : SARIMATI GEETA MUKHERJEE : SHRI SIMON TIGGA :

Will the Minister of HUMAN RE-SOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state :

(a) whether Government attention has been drawn to the news-item appearing in the Hindi daily "Jansatta" dated 4th July, 1986 under the captain "Dakhilon Mein Dalit Chhatron Se Bhedbhav" (Discrimination against Down-trodden students in the matter of admission) in which it has been