

**Linking of Railway Station in Central Railways**

1889. SHRI D. G. GAWAI:  
SHRI KACHARULAL HEM-  
RAJ JAIN:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state.

(a) the particulars of the proposals under consideration of the Government to link railway stations in Central Railways,

(b) whether there is any proposal to link Pandhurna with Amravati; and

(c) if so, when and if not, the reasons therefor because it is very necessary to link Pandhurna with Amravati in view of its commercial importance and from economic point of view?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI SHEO NARAIN) (a) New Railway lines to link Diva and Vasai Road and Wani and Chanaka are in progress

(b) and (c) Due to severe constraint on resources, there is no proposal under consideration at present to construct new railway line linking Pandhurna with Amravati.

**Doubling of Nagpur-Amla Railways Track**

1890. SHRI KACHARULAL HEM-  
RAJ JAIN:  
SHRI D G GAWAI:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the work of doubling the track between Nagpur and Amla Junctions on the Central Railway was started years back but abandoned,

(b) if so, when the work was started and when abandoned; and the reasons thereof;

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(c) the extent to which the work of doubling the track has been done; and

(d) when the work of doubling the railway line between Nagpur and Amla junction is likely to be re-started and when the same is likely to be completed?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI SHEO NARAIN): (a) No.

(b) Does not arise.

(c) Out of the total length of 187.5 kms of Nagpur-Amla Section, 18.5 Kms between Teegaon-Chichonda only had been approved for doubling and this was opened to traffic in June, 1970.

(d) No further work of doubling of the remaining 151 Kms has yet been approved. However, provision of crossing stations between Multai and Chichonda, Metpanjra and Kohli and Teegaon and Chichonda (Block hut) at an approximate cost of Rs. 64.26 lakhs and tokenless block working at an approximate cost of Rs 17.66 lakhs are at present under execution to augment the line capacity for handling increased traffic in the immediate future.

**सविस्पोर स्टेशन का प्लेटफार्म ऊंचा किया जाना**

1891. श्री चन्द्रदेव प्रसाद वर्मा :  
क्या रेल मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि

(क) क्या सरकार पूर्व रेलवे स्थित दानपुर डिवीजन में सविस्पोर स्टेशन पर यात्रियों की कठिनाइयों को ध्यान में रखते तथा इस बात को ध्यान में रखते हुए कि इस स्टेशन पर काफी सख्या में टिकटों और मासिक पासों की बिक्री होती है, इस स्टेशन का प्लेटफार्म ऊंचा करने का निर्णय लेगी; और

(ख) यदि हा, तो कब तक?

रेल मंत्रालय में राज्य मंत्री (श्री सिद्ध वाराहण) (क) और (ख). सोदिसोपुर रेलवे स्टेशन के शानो प्लेटफार्मों के स्तर को ऊंचा उठाने के प्रस्ताव पर विचार किया जा रहा है। इस काम का 1978-79 के रेलवे के निर्माण कार्यक्रम में शामिल करन का प्रस्ताव है।

#### Doubling of Erode-Shoranur-Cochin Route

1892. SHRI K. A. RAJAN. Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the works on doubling of track on Erode Shoranur Cochin route is in progress according to schedule, and

(b) if so, what progress it has made so far and by when it is expected to be completed?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI SHEO NARAIN) (a) Yes.

(b) The sections Erode-Olavakkōṣ and Alwaye-Ernakulam are fully doubled. On the Shoranur-Alwaye section doubling between Pudukad-Irinjalakuda (10 km) has been opened to goods traffic on 14-11-77, while the doubling between Mullurcarai-Wadakancheri is expected to be ready for opening by April 1978.

Doubling of the following sub-sections has recently been sanctioned and it will take about 3 years for their completion, subject to availability of funds:—

- (i) Shoranur — Mullurcarai—8.07 km
- (ii) Wadakancheri — Mulagunna-thukavu—7.45 km
- (iii) Trichur — Pudukad—13.74 km.
- (iv) Chalakudi — Angamali—15.41 km.

#### Complaint by Fabricators Association

1893. DR. VASANT KUMAR PANDIT Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS be pleased to state

(a) whether Fabricators Association (Small Scale Industries) have complained that the Government undertaking viz Engineers India Limited is following a policy which is anti-small fabrication units,

(b) whether many fabrication units have been closed down for want of work while selected few big fabricator units are fed by the Engineers India Limited and

(c) have Government examined the situation, if so, what relief would be given to the small units to keep their working in progress?

THE MINISTER OF PETROLEUM AND CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS (SHRI H N BAHUGUNA) (a) to (c) There was recently a representation from the Fabricators Association, Bombay regarding alleged apathy from Public Sector undertakings including Engineers India Limited (EIL), under the Ministry of Petroleum towards small scale industries

EIL is mainly concerned with the execution of large projects in respect of petroleum refinery, fertilizers, petrochemicals, non-ferrous metallurgy, ocean engineering etc EIL has a system of keeping a list of vendors in the large scale, medium-scale and small scale sectors for procurement of materials for these plants. Over the years EIL has examined and placed on its list large number of vendors in the small scale sector on whom it places orders depending upon the quality, quantity, time price and geographical location of such vendors. But the materials, equipment and parts that are procured by EIL for the above industries are generally of an extremely sophisticated nature and the ability of the Units in the small scale sector to supply such materials of the requir-