

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI MALLIKARJUN): (a) to (d) The information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the Sabha.

Investment by Southern Railway

1239. **SHRI A. NEELALOHITHA-DASAN:** Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the Southern Railway has invested over six crores of rupees by way of capital contribution to the Kerala State Road Transport Corporation;

(b) if so, losses incurred by the above Corporation in the years 1978 and 1980; and

(c) whether Southern Railway has its representation in the management of Kerala State Road Transport Corporation?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI MALLIKARJUN): (a) Yes.

(b) 1978-79: Rs. 3.71 Crores 1979-80: Rs. 13.11 crores.

(c) Yes.

Modernisation scheme of Madras Port Trust

1240. **SHRI D. S. A. SIVAPRAKASAM:** Will the Minister of SHIPPING AND TRANSPORT be pleased to state:

(a) whether any modernisation scheme has been submitted to Government by the Madras Port Trust;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the action taken by Government thereon?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SHIPPING AND TRANSPORT (SHRI BUTA SINGH):

(a) Yes, Sir.

(b) (i) Provision of Container Terminal.

(ii) Expansion of Jawahar Dock.

(c) A decision would be taken on merits of the proposals.

Sangli-Miraj branch line

1241. **SHRI R. K. MHALGI:** Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Government have sanctioned bringing of old Madhavnagar Station on the main line and joining it to the New Sangli and restoration of the Sangli-Miraj Branch line;

(b) if so, the progress made so far and the amount released therefor; and

(c) when the said project is likely to be completed?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI MALLIKARJUN): (a) to (c). Bringing old Madhavnagar on the main line by providing a chord line between Nandre and New Sangli, and restoration of Miraj-Sangli rail link have already been included in the interim rail budget 1980-81 with an initial outlay of Rs. one lakh each. Further action will be taken after regular budget is passed.

Number of tickets issued from Gwalior

1242. **SHRI N. K. SHEJWALKAR:** Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state what is the daily average number of tickets issued from Gwalior to Bombay and Gwalior to Kandwa, Manmad, Nasik and Kalyan and other important stations between Itarsi and Bombay VT?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI MALLIKARJUN): The total daily average number of tickets of all