

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS AND IN THE DEPARTMENT OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS (SHRI MALLIKARJUN): (a) Train lights in all compartments of Mail, Express and Passenger Trains are generally maintained satisfactorily. In Branch Line Trains on some Railways, however, the train lighting, some times, become unsatisfactory because of unabated theft/damage of train lighting equipment by the miscreants.

(b) and (c). Yes. In order to bring about improvement in the train lighting on the branch line trains, conversion of existing system to mid-on-generation system, which has proved satisfactory, is being progressively carried out. Also D.C. Train lighting dynamos are being replaced by brushless alternators which are more robust in construction and less prone to vandalism.

Study Regarding role of Health Education to decrease in the incidences of Diseases

2403. SHRI SURAJ BHAN: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the Central Health Education Bureau is functioning for the last two decades;

(b) whether any study has been conducted by this Institute to high light the role of health education in bringing about a significant decrease in the incidence of diseases; and

(c) if so, the findings of the study?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI NIHAR RANJAN LASKAR): (a) Yes.

(b) and (c). The importance of imparting health education to the community in order to enable its members to follow proper health practices, including environmental sanitation, personal hygiene, use of safe drinking water and better food habits and thus promote better health and prevent diseases is well known and understood. This is stressed by the Central Health Education Bureau. The Central Health Education Bureau has undertaken some studies which have revealed that as a result of health education, people have accepted the advocated preventive health measures. However, there has not been any specific study to find out changes in morbidity pattern or disease incidence as a result of general Health Education.

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2409. श्री चन्द्रपाल शैलानी : क्या नौबहन और परिवहन मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या दिल्ली विकास प्राधिकरण की यमुना बिहार कालोनी से रु० संख्या 260 पर प्रातः और सायं बस सेवा आरम्भ की गयी है;

(ख) क्या प्रातः और सायंकालीन बसों में यात्रियों की उत्तरोत्तर बढ़ती संख्या को देखते हुये इस सेवा को नियमित करने का विचार है; और

(ग) यदि हां, तो कब तक और यदि नहीं, तो उसके क्या कारण हैं ?

नौबहन और परिवहन मंत्रालय में राज्य मंत्री (श्री बूटा सिंह) : (क) जी, हां ।

(ख) और (ग). यह सर्विस जसी कि 9-10-1980 से शुरू की गयी थी, नियमित कर दी गयी है ।

Reorganised Railway Accounts Department

2410. SHRI T. M. SAWANT: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the Railway Accounts department has been reorganised on the pattern of A.G.C.R.;

(b) whether a selection grade has been introduced in the Accounts department of Railways for manning supervisory posts; and

(c) whether usual reservation policy would be applicable for the Scheduled Caste and Scheduled Tribe Railway employees in selection grades according to 40 point rosters?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS AND IN THE DEPARTMENT OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS (SHRI MALI I. KARJUN): (a) The Group 'C' Cadre of the Railway Accounts Department has been reorganised on the lines obtaining in the Audit Department.

(b) The Selection Grade of Rs. 425—700 has been introduced for Clerks Grade I in scale Rs. 330—560 and the Selection Grade of Rs. 775—1000 has been introduced for the Section Officers (Accounts)/Inspectors of Station Accounts/Inspectors of Stores Accounts in scale Rs. 500—900.

(c) Yes.

पायलेट बोट

2411. श्री विलास मृत्सेमवार : क्या नौबहन और परिवहन मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या मद्रास और विशाखापत्तनम के अतिरिक्त भारत के आठ अन्य प्रमुख बन्दरगाहों पर आने वाले जहाजों का मार्ग निर्देशन करने के लिए पायलेट बोट पर्याप्त संख्या में उपलब्ध नहीं है;

(ख) क्या बम्बई बन्दरगाह की ऐसी 25 बोटों में से चार बोट 25 वर्ष पुरानी हैं और उन्हें संचालन के लिए सुरक्षित नहीं समझा गया है; और

(ग) कमी को पूरा करने के लिए क्या नात्कालिक कदम उठाये जा रहे हैं ?

नौबहन और परिवहन मंत्रालय में राज्य मंत्री (श्री बूटा सिंह) : (क) बम्बई, टूटी कोरिन और मंगलौर के अतिरिक्त और किसी भी बड़े पत्तन पर पायलेट नावों की कोई कमी नहीं है।

(ख) बम्बई पत्तन में उपलब्ध 4 या पायलेट नावों में से दो क्रमशः 25/30 वर्ष पुरानी है। तीस वर्ष पुराना लांच जनवरी, 1980 से काम नहीं कर रहा है और इसके इंजिन को बदला जाना है। 25 वर्ष पुराना लांच भी अक्सर खराब हो जाता है।

(ग) इस कमी को पूरा करने के लिए नीचे लिखे उपाय अपनाये जा रहे हैं :—

(i) बम्बई : तीन फाइबर ग्लास लांचों के लिए आर्डर दिया गया है। इसके अलावा दो और पायलेट लांचों के लिए एक प्रस्ताव तैयार किया जा रहा है।

(ii) टूटीकोरिन : एक पायलेट लांच के लिए आर्डर दिया गया है। आशा है कि यह अगस्त, 1981 तक मिल जायगा।

(iii) यू मंगलौर पोर्ट : एक पायलेट लांच के लिए आर्डर दिया गया है। आशा है कि यह अप्रैल, 1981 तक मिल जायगा।

Railway Service on Metre Gauge in Gujarat

2412. SHRI DIGVIJAY SINH: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether a proposal has been made to continue the railway service on the metre gauge line between Than and Chotile in Gujarat pending alternative suggestions;

(b) whether there are suggestions to either convert this sector from metre gauge to broad gauge or to extend this sector from Chotile to Vinchhia; and

(c) whether Government propose to continue this sector till these suggestions are examined in detail?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS AND IN THE DEPARTMENT OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS: (SHRI MALIKARJUN) : (a) and (b). Yes.

(c) The services on this section were discontinued due to coal shortage and poor patronage. This is an uneconomic branch line section incurring heavy losses every year, and the returns from this section have not been sufficient to cover even a small part of the working expenses, leaving aside the interest on capital. In these circumstances, it will not be possible to resume the train services on this section.

No proposal for conversion of the line to BG or extension to Vinchhai is under consideration. Due to severe constraint on resources position, it will not be possible to take up the proposal for consideration.

Railway Land at Rayagada

2413. SHRI GIRIDHAR GOMANGO : Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the South Eastern Railway Authority received letter from Rayagada Municipality regarding relinquishment of railway land at Rayagada in favour of Rayagada Municipality;