

Railway Quarters at Alipurduar Junction

4480. SHRI PIUS TIRKEY: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Alipurduar Junction of North-Eastern Railway is one of the important junction in this zone;

(b) the total number of employees, category-wise, who have been provided with railway quarters in this Divisional Headquarters of North-Eastern Railway and the number who have not yet been allotted quarters;

(c) the number of schools, playgrounds, clubs, swimming pools, cinema halls and other general amenities available to the employees;

(d) what steps are being taken or likely to be taken to beautify the colonies; and

(e) whether there is any proposal to clean the existing "Jheels" for fishery purposes?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS AND IN THE DEPARTMENT OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS (SHRI MALLIKARJUN): (a) to (e). The information is being collected and will be placed on the Table of the Sabha.

Running of Local Train from Dadar to Thane and Kalyan

4481. SHRI R. K. MHALGI: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) details of progress Railway Administration has made in last six months regarding running of few local trains in a day from Dadar towards Thane, Dombivali, Kalyan and Karjit and vice-versa for Bombay commuters;

(b) if no progress made so far the detailed reasoning thereof; and

(c) what remedies are thought of to overcome the difficulties in implementing the long pending public demand?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS AND IN THE DEPARTMENT OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS (SHRI MALLIKARJUN): (a) to (c). Due to absence of a bay platform at Dadar and the present pattern of suburban services, any originating/terminating services at this intermediate station will interfere with the present arrangements of high frequency of suburban services and will adversely affect the peak hour clearance capacity in particular. A techno-economic survey for provision of suburban terminal facility at Dadar was conducted with total cost of about Rs. 6.5 crores. Further consideration of this project will be taken up when the resources position permits.

Facilities to Passengers at Nagpur Railway Station

4482. SHRI R. K. MHALGI: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Member of Parliament from Thana constituency paid a visit with previous appointment to Nagpur Railway Station (Maharashtra), in the second week of October, 1980 and made a few important suggestions to local and divisional railway authorities with respect to amenities and facilities of the passengers;

(b) whether General Manager of Central Railway, Bombay had promised to look into them;

(c) if so, the action taken on each of the suggestions made by the Member; and

(d) if no action is taken, the reasons thereof?

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

(b) to (d). A statement is attached.