disparities in promotional prospects available to staff of allied or comparable categories.

(b) and (c). After the restructuring of cadres done in 1976, further restructuring has been done in 1979 in consultation with the organised labour in the case of these staff. However, the comparative promotional prospects of these staff were also reviewed from time to time.

Watering Committee for Carriage and Wagon Department.

563. SHRI SURAJ BHAN: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that few vears back, a watering committee for carriage & wagon department was constituted by the Railway Board;

(b) if so, what recommendations were made by the committee;

(c) whether the recommendations made by the committee including those regarding provision of adequate staff and stoppage to trains, have been implemented;

(d) if not, the reasons thereof; and

(e) when the Government propose to implement the recommendations of the Committee?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI MALLIKARJUN): (a) The carriage watering committee was appointed to review all arrangements for proper filing of water in a hygienic manner in the coach tanks to ensure continuous water availability to the travelling bublic througout the run of the train.

(b) A statement containing the recommendations is attached.

(c) Out of 14 recommendations 11 recommendations including those regarding provision of adequate staff and stoppage of trains have been implemented. Only 3 recommendations Viz. 6, 8 & 13 are under implementation on the Railways. (d) The three recommendations viz. 6, 8 & 13 are of long term nature and involve provision of facilities at a large number of watering stations & the funds available are restricted.

(e) The progress will depend on the availability of funds in future and it is not possible to lay down any specific target date.

Statement

SUMMARY OF RECOMMENDATIONS

1. The existing capacity of water tanks in current builds of B.G. and M.G. coaches is considered adequate.

2. The location of watering stations should permit refilling of water in coaches after an approximate interval of 4 hours.

3. To permit slow trains being watered at reasonable intervals, the distance between two watering stations should be in the region of 200 K. Ms. on B.G. and 150 K.Ms on MG.

4. The minimum quantity of water to be catered for trains at watering halts, should be as follows:—

10,000 litres for a B.G. main line train,

12,000 litres for a B.G. Branch line train,

12,000 litres for a M.G. main line train,

7,000 litres for a M.G. branch line train.

5. The minimum halt for a passenger train at a water filling station should be 10 minutes.

6. The rate of flow at the delivery end of a hydrant should not be less than 100 litres/minute. This may be ensured by changing pipe layouts, or increasing pipe diameters or provision of booster pumps as necessary.

7. The maximum distance between hydrants for overhead watering should be 10 metres.

8. The maximum distance between ground hydrant_s for side filling should be 3 metres.

9. Water filling hose pipes should be permanently connected to hydrants.

10. The length of the water filling hose pipes should be 8 metres for overhead watering and 2.7 metres for ground hydrants.

11. The requirement of watering staff should be based on 5 man-minutes per coach for the scheduled train halts.

12. Watering arrangements on platform should cater for the maximum length of trains running on the section.

13. The water supply arrangements for trains should be isolated from $g \in neral$ water supply.

14. Adequate static water storage capacity should be provided at waterring stations.

Amount spent on Indian Ambassies

564. SHRIMATI KRISHNA SAHI will the Minister of EXTERNAL AF-FAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Government have incurred an expenditure of Rs. 35 crores on Indian Embasises in various countries during 1979-80;

(b) whether it is also a fact that an amount of Rs. $1\frac{1}{4}$ crores was spent in each of the Embassies in London, Washington and Jeddah out of it; and

(c) if so, the reasons for spending as much amount in the Embassy in Jeddah as was spent on the embassy in Washington or London?

THE MINISTER FOR EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI P. V. NARASIMHA RAO): (a) A total expenditure of Rs. 33.36 crores only was incurred during the budget year 1979-80 on 101 Missions & 31 posts which India maintains abroad.

(b) and (c) The amount_s spent in the specific Missions mentioned here were:—

- (i) Jeddah: Rs. 1.06 crores.
- (ii) London: Rs. 3.56 crores.
- (iii) Washington: Rs. 2.05 crores

The expenditure in Jeddah was considerably lower than that in London or Washington.

संयुक्त राष्ट्र संघ में विदेश मंत्री का हिन्दी में भाषण

565. श्री राजेश कुमार सिंहः क्या विदेश मंत्री यह बताने की क्रुपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या यह सच है कि संयुक्त राष्ट्र संघ की महासभा के 35वें ग्रधि-वेशन में उन्होंने अपना भाषण राष्ट्रभाषा हिन्दी में ग्रारम्भ किया ग्रौर कुछ मिनट तक हिन्दी में बोलने के बाद उन्होंने भ्रपना शेष भाषण भंग्रेजी में पूरा किया;

(ख) यदि हां, तो सम्पूर्ण भाषण हिन्दी में न देने के क्या कारण हैं ; और

(ग) इस सम्बन्ध में सरकार की क्या नीति है ?

विदेश मंत्री (श्री पी॰ वी॰ नरसिंह-राव) : (क) जी हां।

(ख) भाषण को काफी समय पूर्व ग्रंतिम रूप दिया जा सका था क्योंकि उस में विकसित होती हुई परिस्थितियों का ख्याल रखना जरूरी था जिसमें संयुक्त राष्ट्र में पाकिस्तान के राष्ट्रपति का भाषण भी शामिल है । इस तरह पूरे भाषण का हिन्दी ग्रनुवाद तैयार करा पाने के लिए काफी वक्त नहीं था ।

(ग) हमारी कोशिश यह है कि संयुक्त राप्ट्र महासभा में इस प्रकार के वक्तव्य जहां तक हो हिन्दी में किए जाएं ।