

are also being used by the Govt. employees who sit late in the offices. On route No. 680 and 340, the Corporation has provided trips after 11 P.M. as some traffic is available on these routes. In addition, regular night services are also operating to cater to the travel needs of commuters who have to perform their duties late in the night.

(c) At present the Corporation is operating a trip at 11.05 P.M. on route No. 810 leaving Central Secretariat (Church Road) Bus stand for Tilak Nagar, DTC has not received any demand for operating a trip at 11.35 P.M. In case such a demand is received and sufficient traffic load is available, a trip at 11.35 P.M. may be provided by DTC.

(d) Does not arise.

#### Diverse Cadres in foreign Services

2243. SWAMI INDERVESH:  
SHRI RAM VILAS PASWAN:  
SHRI JARESH KUMAR  
SINGH:

Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have seen the press report published in the Indian Express of the 19th January, 1981, under the heading "Caste system in foreign service";

(b) if so, whether any inquiry has been conducted in this regard; and

(c) if so, the results thereof?

THE MINISTER OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI P. V. NARASIMHA RAO): (a) Yes Sir.

(b) and (c). For various reasons, which are largely based on functional requirements, a number of cadres have been built up under the Ministry of External Affairs. On account of changed circumstances, some of these cadres have either outlived their utility or have, in fact increased in importance.

The Ministry are aware of the need to rationalise the cadre situation and

is examining various possibilities, such as elimination or absorption of smaller cadres so as to reduce the extent and range of the problem. While rationalising the cadre structure, the Ministry would naturally keep in mind the interests of functional efficiency and of economy in administration.

#### Assessment of the Working of Mental Hospital in India

2244. SHRI CHHANGUR RAM:  
SHRI RAM VILAS PASWAN:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have made any assessment with regard to the working of the various mental hospitals in the country particularly in respect of the treatment being provided to the patients, conditions in which they are being kept in the hospitals and their confinement even after their recovery when they are no longer required to be kept in the mental hospitals:

(b) if so, the result thereof and the steps contemplated by the Government in this regard; and

(c) if not, whether Government would consider the desirability of making such a study?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI NIHAR RANJAN LASKAR): (a) to (c). The information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the Sabha.

#### Conversion of Sholapur-Gadag Line

2245. SHRI K. B. CHOUDHARI:  
Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government propose to convert the Sholapur-Gadag line into Broad-gauge; and

(b) if so, when the conversion work will start?