

and nutrition, treatment medicines, education, family planning and maternity and child welfare will be made.

**Power for Electric traction**

**8428. SHRIMATI MADHURI SINGH:  
SHRI B. V. DESAI:**

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) the quantity of additional power needed by the Railways for undertaking electric traction to reduce petroleum consumption;

(b) whether the additional power requirement would be met by the Ministry of Energy or his Ministry propose to set up its own captive power plants; and

(c) if so, the details thereof?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS AND IN THE DEPARTMENT OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS (SHRI MALLIKARJUN): (a) Additional power to the extent of 1194 million kwh per annum will be required at the end of 1984-85 for the sections expected to be brought under electric traction by the end of VIth Plan.

(b) and (c) Ministry of Energy have assured the Ministry of Railways that for the electrification programme during the VIth Plan, additional power required will be made available by them. A proposal to set up a few captive power houses by the Railways is under consideration in consultation with the Ministry of Energy. No final decision, however, in this connection, has yet been taken.

**Coaches running on Badarpur Sub-Division of Assam**

**8429. SHRI AJOY BISWAS:** Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that most of the coaches running on Badarpur Sub-

Division, Assam, are found to be defective and need thorough repairing or replacement; and

(b) if so, whether Government will take immediate steps to repair or replace the defective coaches?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS AND IN THE DEPARTMENT OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS (SHRI MALLIKARJUN): (a) There is an established procedure for maintenance of catches on Indian Railways in which all the coaches are periodically checked and those requiring scheduled overhaul and repairs or other unscheduled repairs are withdrawn and sent to workshops and sicklines for proper attention. This procedure is also followed in the coaches running on Badarpur Sub-Division. Recently, 6 coaches have been withdrawn for periodical overhaul in workshops and 16 coaches for repairs in sicklines and replaced by good coaches. The coaches now running in Badarpur Sub-Division are in satisfactory condition.

(b) Action will continue to be taken as per extant maintenance procedure and coaches found to need repairs will be withdrawn during periodical inspections and replaced by good coaches in fit condition received after repairs from workshops/sicklines.

**Late running of 1-NHK shuttle between Khurja and Delhi**

**8430. SHRI R. L. P. VERMA:** Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that 1-NHK Shuttle between Khurja and Delhi is almost running late daily resulting in inconvenience to thousands of commuters;

(b) whether it is also a fact that daily late running of the train has been due to fact that loco engine has been provided to the train;