Punctuality drive at Rail Bhavan

646. SHRI NARAYAN CHOUBEY: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether on the 14th July, 1981 the Railways made a punctuality drive in the Rail Bhavan;

(b) whether it is a fact that all the gates of the Bail Bhavan were closed at 10.15 a.m. and as such employees could not attend duties; and

(c) whether it is a fact that Secretary of the Ministrial Staff Association has been suspended as he protested against such closure of gates?

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

(b) Office hours commence at 10.15 A.M. An attendance check was organised at about 10.30 A.M. on 14th July, 1981; to make the check more effective, all the gates of the building (Rail Bhavan) were closed. The main gate was opened a little to allow late-comers to enter one by one, so that names could be noted down.

(c) Yes. Shri S. Mukherjee, a UDC of the Railway Board—he is the Secretary of the Ministerial Staff Association—was placed under suspension for conduct unbecoming of a Government Servant. The suspension has subsequently been revoked on his expression of regret.

Stock Piling of Cement at Shakurbasti Railway Station

647. SHRI P. RAJAGOPAL NAIDU:

SHRI DHARAM BIR SINHA:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that large stocks of cement are piling up at Shakurbasti Railway Siding in Delhi; and

(b) if so, the reasons thereof and steps being taken to clear up the stocks so as to make use of the empty wagons for other purposes?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS AND IN THE DEPARTMENT OF PAR-LIAMENTARY AFFAIRS (SHRI MALLIKARJUN): (a) No.

(b) Does not arise.

Railway Lines damage due to Floods

648. SHRI KAMAL NATH: SHRI SUBHASH CHANDRA BOSE ALLURI: SHRI RAJESH KUMAR SINGH:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether railway lines were damaged at various places due to rains and floods:

(b) if so, the names of lines, where traffic had to be suspended due to breach in lines between 1st and 31st July, 1981;

(c) the extent of loss suffered by the Railways both in terms of damage to lines and equipment and loss due to suspencion of traffic; and

(d) details of preventive measures taken by Railways?

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

(b) A statement is attached.

(c) The extant of loss suffered due to :

(i) Damages to lines and equipment—Rs. 6.67 crores approx.

(ii) Suspension of traffic-Rs. 1.20 crores approx.

(d) All the flood affected locations are investigated and additional waterway or raising the track etc. are undertaken where considered necessary. At all important bridges, vulnerable bridges and points, special watchmen are posted during the Besides, monsoon monsoon period. patrolling is undertaken by patrolmen in order to detect in time any damage that may be caused due to floods and rains, to Railway lines/ property. Further, close coordination is maintained with the State Authorities for ensuring the proper maintenance and upkeep of the Railway affecting works.

Statements

Name of Railway Name of the affected section.

Central

Gwalior-Sheopurkalan

Eastern

Andul-Calcutta Chord Link

North Eastern

- (1) Mansi-Forbesganj
- (2) Jhanjharpur-Laukaha Bazar
- (3) Narkatiaganj-Raxaul

Northeast Frontier

- (1) Katihar-Manihari Ghat
- (2) Simaluguri-Naginimora
- (3) Simaluguri-Tinsukhia
- (4) Simaluguri-Moranhat

Western

- (1) Shahibag—Khodiyar
- (2) Shahibag-Gandhinagar
- (3) Sabarmati yard
- (4) Jamnagar—Okha
- (5) Kanalus-Sika
- (6) Dhrangadhra—Gandhidham
- (7) Radhanpur—Gandhidham
- (8) Gandhidham-Bhuj
- (9) Sawai Madhopur-Gangapur City

- (10) Jaipur-Phulera Rings
- (11) Jaipur-Bandikui
- (12) Jaipur—Sanganer—Sawaj Madhopur

Northern

- (1) Tundla-Ghaziabad
- (2) Tundla—Agra
- (3) Suratgarh—Anupgarh
- (4) Merta Road-Bikaner
- (5) Phulera—Degana
- (6) Ratangarh—Degana
- (7) Merta Road-Degana
- (8) Merta Road-Merta City

Completion of Asiad Projects in time

649. SHRI CHINTAMANI PANI-GRAHI: DR. KARAN SINGH:

Will the Minister of EDUCATION AND SOCIAL WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that some of the Asiad Projects have run into trouble;

(b) if so, what are the details in this regard; and

(c) the steps taken to ensure that the work is completed well in time?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRIES OF EDUCATION AND SOCIAL WELFARE (SHRI-MATI SHEILA KAUL): (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

(c) A number of Committees with cross sectional representation have been set up by the Steering Committee as well as the Special Organising Committee for Asian Games to ensure proper coordination and timely and economical completion of all the projects.

Steps taken to check use of narcotics

650. SHRI P. K. KODIYAN: Will