

**Accident of 6 DN Amritsar-Howrah
Mail near Patna**

1895. SHRI RAJESH KUMAR
SINGH:

PROF. AJIT KUMAR
MEHTA:

SHRI RAMAVATAR
SHASTRI:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that a number of persons including some Members of Parliament were injured when the 6 Dn. Amritsar-Howrah Mail met with an accident near Patna on 27th September, 1981;

(b) if so, details thereof;

(c) whether Government have made any inquiry into the cause of the accident; and

(d) if so, result thereof and the action taken by the Government in the matter?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRIES OF RAILWAYS AND EDUCATION AND SOCIAL WELFARE AND DEPARTMENT OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS (SHRI MALLIKARJUN): (a) and (b). On 26-9-81 while 6 Dn. Amritsar-Howrah Mail was being received on the Down loop line at Patna Saheb Station on Eastern Railway, it collided with an engine. As a result of the accident 7 persons including 3 Members of Parliament sustained injuries.

(c) Yes.

(d) The report of the inquiry is awaited. On receipt of the report suitable action will be taken.

Passenger halts sanctioned

1896. SHRI ARJUN SETHI: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) the total number of passenger halts sanctioned during the years 1980-81 and 1981-82 in South Eastern Railway;

(b) the names of the passenger halts have already been commissioned;

(c) the name of the passenger halts are yet to be commissioned; and

(d) the specific reasons of such inordinate delay in each case?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRIES OF RAILWAYS AND EDUCATION AND SOCIAL WELFARE AND DEPARTMENT OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS (SHRI MALLIKARJUN): (a) Six.

(b) Mukteswar (Puri).

(c) (1) Arun Nagar (2) Bharaohi (3) Saraswati Nagar (4) Mahabhinayak Road and (5) Kapali Road.

(d) The necessary technical formalities connected with opening of such halts are being processed.

Scheme Research Employees of IITs

1897. SHRI SAMAR MUKHERJEE: Will the Minister of EDUCATION AND SOCIAL WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have suggested to the Directors of IITs to discuss the issue of the Scheme Research Employees of IITs;

(b) if so, whether Government are aware that the meeting of all the Directors of IITs took place on 24th April, 1981 and again 20th August, 1981;

(c) whether the Directors made any suggestions to Government on the Scheme Research Employees;

(d) if so, the suggestions made by them; and

(e) the action taken or proposed to be taken by Government thereon?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRIES OF RAILWAYS AND EDUCATION AND SOCIAL WELFARE AND DEPARTMENT OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS (SHRI MALLIKARJUN): (a) to (c). Yes, Sir.