

stock on Virar-Surat-Vadodara-Ahmadabad section is in progress and is expected to be finalised and completed by the end of 1982. Further action would be taken after the report is received and examined.

#### Conversion of Nadiad-Modasa Line

9179. SHRI R. P. GAEKWORD: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have taken a decision in principle to convert Nadiad-Modasa Metre Gauge into Broad Gauge line;

(b) If so, why the proposed conversion project is being delayed; and

(c) the amount provided in 1982-83 for the project and when the Broad Gauge line is likely to be completed and thrown open for traffic?

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

(b) Due to severe constraint of resources which are not adequate even to progress the on-going priority projects, it has not been possible to make sufficient headway on this project, so far.

(c) Provision of Rs. 10 lakhs has been made during 1982-83 for this project. The work is being progressed according to availability of funds. It is, therefore, not possible to say at this stage as to when this project will be completed and opened to traffic.

#### C.L.W. to manufacture electric locos during 6th Plan

9180. SHRI KRISHNA CHANDRA HALDER: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Chittaranjan Locomotive Works was asked to manufac-

ture 349 electric locos during the Sixth Five Year Plan;

(b) if so, how much of funds for the rolling stock was allocated by the Planning Commission; and

(c) whether the shortage of funds is coming in the way of the C.L.W. to meet the target fixed?

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

(b) A sum of Rs. 2100 crores was allocated by the Planning Commission for procurement of Rolling Stock which includes locomotives, as well as wagons, coaches, EMUs and other vehicles.

(c) Programme for manufacture of locomotives at the Chittaranjan Locomotive Works has been fixed so as to accord with availability of funds as well as traffic requirements.

#### Stations to be covered by Delhi Ring railway

9181. SHRI TRILOK CHANDRA: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government propose to electrify the ring railway to provide transport facilities during Asiad 82 and if so, the time by which it is likely to be completed and the names of the stations proposed to be covered;

(b) whether there is a proposal to set up a halt station between Kishanganj and Dayabasti stations;

(c) whether it is a fact that thousands of railway employees have made a request that a halt station be set up near Sarai Hobilla Station and between Dayabasti & Kishanganj Stations;