

(c) whether inquiries have been made to verify such mal-practices;

(d) if so, with what results;

(e) what steps have been taken to ensure that the contractors working inside the railway yards do not indulge in pilferage of railway property and thefts of the type that have come to the notice of Government; and

(f) if so, with what results?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS AND IN THE DEPARTMENT OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS (SHRI MALLIKARJUN): (a) No; however, a case of a contractor trying to cheat the Railways by stacking ballast on existing mounds of earth and sand was uncovered in a preventive check.

(b) No.

(c) Yes.

(d) No such case has come to light besides the one indicated in reply to (a), where suitable action against the contractor is under consideration.

(e) and (f). Railway Protection Force Personnel are deployed to guard Railway property against pilferage and theft by any agency whatsoever. The present Security arrangements are generally considered adequate.

महानगरों में बिजली से चलने वाली रेल गाड़ियां

746. श्री हरीश चन्द्र सिंह रावत : क्या रेल मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या देश के चार बड़े महानगरों में बिजली से चलने वाली रेल गाड़ियां चलाने की कोई योजना है ;

(ख) यदि हां, तो इन महानगरों के नाम क्या हैं और चालू योजना के दौरान इस योजना का कार्य कब शुरू हो जायगा ; और

(ग) पूरी योजना के पूरा होने पर कुल कितनी धनराशि खर्च होने का अनुमान है ?

रेल मंत्रालय एवं संसदीय कार्य विभाग में उप मंत्री (श्री मल्लिकार्जुन) : (क) जी हां ।

(ख) दिल्ली, बम्बई, कलकत्ता और मद्रास । दिल्ली और कलकत्ता के लिये महानगर रेल परिवहन योजना पर कार्य चल रहा है । बम्बई, कलकत्ता और मद्रास में बिजली गाड़ियां पहले से ही चल रही हैं ।

(ग) 1980-81 के मूल्यों के आधार पर मेट्रो रेलवे कलकत्ता पर 560 करोड़ रुपये की लागत आयगी । दिल्ली में रिंग रेलवे के विद्युतीकरण तर 34.18 करोड़ रुपये लागत आयगी ?

#### Completion of 1st Phase of Jakhpura-Banspani Line

747. SHRI HARIHAR SOREN: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the first phase of construction of the Jakhpura-Banspani railway line from Jakhpura to Daitori was completed and opened for traffic in March, 1981;

(b) whether it is a fact that despite foregoing all arrangements have not yet been completed to facilitate loading of iron ore from Daitori and Tomka;

(c) if so, the reasons of the delay; and

(d) the steps taken by Government to make all arrangements completed to facilitate loading of iron ore?

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