

(b) Certain reservations have already been expressed by Delhi Urban Art Commission with regard to display of advertisement in multi-colours on the DTC buses. DTC authorities are holding discussions with Delhi Urban Arts Commission about the amplification of guidelines on the subject and the guidelines as may be laid down by the Commission will be followed by DTC.

**Setting up of 25 Bedded Allopathic Hospital for Asian Games in Delhi**

5318. SHRI D. M. PUTTE GOWDA: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that here is a proposal to set up a 2 bedded allopathic hospital in connection with 1982 Asian Games in Delhi;

(b) whether it is also a fact that after the Asian Games are over this hospital proposed to be converted into a homoeopathic hospital; and

(c) if not, what are the other alternatives?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (KUMARI KUMUD-BEN M. JOSHI): (a) Yes, a 20 bedded hospital is under construction in the Asian Games Village Complex.

(b) and (c). The matter regarding alternative use of this hospital has not been considered so far.

**Conversion of Naupada-Gunpur Line**

5319. SHRI K. PRADHANI:  
SHRI CHINTAMANI JENA:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether his Ministry has received any proposal from Government of Orissa for the conversion of Naupada-Gunpur Railway line into a broad gauge;

(b) if so, whether it is likely to be considered as priority basis in 1982-83; and

(c) the details of stages for implementation of the above proposal?

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

(b) No.

(c) Does not arise.

**New Yard at Sankrail**

5320. SHRI NARAYAN CHOUBEY: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have a proposal to have new yard for goods traffic on the South East Railway at Sankrail near Howrah;

(b) if so, what is the present stage of the said proposal;

(c) what difficulty, if any, is encountered in implementation of this proposal?

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

(b) Land acquisition is in progress.

(c) The major problem is shortage of funds for works. There have also been problems in the acquisition of land which are being sorted out through the agencies of West Bengal State Government.

**New Permanent Posts for Class-I and II officers**

5321. SHRI NARAYAN CHOUBEY: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) what was the number of Railway officers in the Indian Railways Class-I & II respectively in years 1979, 1980 and 1981;

(b) what was the number of permanent sanctioned posts of officers in the above mentioned years;

(c) whether due to increase in work load as well as for diversification of jobs there is actual need for more number of officer experts at present; and

(d) if so, what is hurdle in creating new permanent posts of officers and their recruitment through Union Public Service Commission?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS AND IN THE DEPARTMENT OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS (SHRI MALIKARJUN): (a) The staff statistics on Indian Railways are maintained as on 31st March of the Year. The group wise number of Railway officers employed on Zonal Railways, Production Units, Railway Board and other Misc. Offices for the years 1979, 1980 and 1981 was as under:—

| Year       | Group 'A'<br>(Class I) | Group 'B'<br>(Class II) |
|------------|------------------------|-------------------------|
| 1979 . . . | 5,278                  | 4,653                   |
| 1980 . . . | 5,397                  | 5,054                   |
| 1981 . . . | 5,492                  | 5,671                   |

(Note: A large number of Group 'B' officers are working against Group 'A' posts)

(b) The group-wise number of permanent posts of officers in the respective years was as under:—

| Year       | Group 'A'<br>(Class I) | Group 'B'<br>(Class II) |
|------------|------------------------|-------------------------|
| 1979 . . . | 5,960                  | 1,520                   |
| 1980 . . . | 5,981                  | 1,515                   |
| 1981 . . . | 6,357                  | 1,945                   |

(In addition, there are a large number of mp or ary and work-charged posts)

(c) No. The number of officers is based on the work-load and the requirement is periodically reviewed and sanctions accorded as necessary. There is, however, a shortage of Group 'A' officers due to rapid expansion of Railway activities and Group 'B' officers are temporarily bridging the gap. Recruitment of Group 'A' officers is being stepped up. Recruitment as also promotion to Group 'A' (Class I) posts in the organised services is made on an annual basis, the intake being decided taking into account the cadre position, vacancies anticipated to occur and the developmental requirements, etc.

(d) Does not arise.

#### Diesel Loco Shed at Nimpura

5322. SHRI NARAYAN CHOUBEY: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have a plan to set up a diesel Loco Shed at Nimpura near Kharagpur on the South Eastern Railway;

(b) if so, in what year this plan was sanctioned;

(c) what is the estimate for this plan?

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

(b) The work of Diesel Loco Shed at Nimpura was sanctioned in 1980-81.

(c) The sanctioned estimated cost for this shed is Rs. 296 lakhs.

#### Congestion at Howrah Station

5323. SHRI NARAYAN CHOUBEY: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the South Eastern Railway coaching service face terminal difficulties at Howrah which is an Eastern Railway controlled station;