

posal to open a new Railway Division in Western Orissa ;

(b) if so, whether the above proposal is expected to be implemented in 1983-84 financial year ; and

(c) if not, when that proposal is expected to be implemented ?

THE MINISTER OF RAILWAYS (SHRI A.B.A. GHANI KHAN CHAUDHURI) : (a) to (c) There is no such proposal under consideration of the Government. However, the entire question of reorganisation of railways, creation of division/zones, is presently under consideration of a High Powered Committee known as the Railway Reforms Committee. The report of the Committee on this matter is still awaited.

Regularisation of Casual Labour

1955. SHRI NARAYAN CHOUBEY :

SHRI BASUDEB ACHARIA :

SHRI MANI RAM BAGRI :

SHRI RAM KINKAR :

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state :

(a) whether the Government have a plan for decasualisation of casual labour in the Railway ;

(b) how many casual labour are there in Indian Railway as on 31 March, 1983 ;

(c) how many of them are working more than 10 years continuously ; and

(d) how many casual labour have been regularised in the year 1980-81, 1981-82 and 1982-83 ?

THE MINISTER OF RAILWAYS (SHRI A.B.A. GHANI KHAN CHAUDHURI) : (a) Yes.

(b) and (c) Information as on 31.3.83 is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the Sabha.

(d) 1980-81	15,153
1981-82	23,519
1982-83	20,440

Restoration of Passport

1956. SHRI CHHOTAY SINGH YADAV :

SHRI TRILOK CHAND :

Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the self-styled Khalistan President Dr. Jagjit Singh Chouhan has recently requested the Government for the restoration of his passport and Indian citizenship status ; and

(b) if so, what is the reaction of the Government with regard thereto ?

THE MINISTER OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI P.V. NARASIMHA RAO) : (a) No application for a travel document by Dr. Chauhan has so far come to Government's notice. He continues to be a citizen of India at the present time.

(b) Does not arise.

महिलाओं और विकलांगों के लिए सामाजिक और आर्थिक कार्यक्रम के अन्तर्गत रोजगार योजनाओं पर ध्यान

1957. श्री राम अवध : क्या समाज कल्याण मन्त्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि उत्तर प्रदेश में महिलाओं और विकलांगों के लिए सामाजिक और आर्थिक कार्यक्रमों के अन्तर्गत विभिन्न रोजगार योजनाओं पर ध्यान की गई धन राशि का ब्यौरा क्या है ?

शिक्षा और संस्कृति तथा समाज कल्याण मंत्रालयों में उप मंत्री (श्री पी० के० थुंगन) : भारत सरकार का समाज कल्याण मन्त्रालय रोजगार और आय उत्पन्न करने वाले प्रशिक्षण एवं-उत्पादन एककों की स्थापना की योजना को कार्यान्वित करता है, जिसे 1982 में प्रारम्भ किया गया था। इस योजना के अन्तर्गत 2 एककों अर्थात् उत्तर प्रदेश इलेक्ट्रॉनिक्स कारपोरेशन लि०, लखनऊ (कंपैसिटर्स यूनिट) और उत्तर प्रदेश इलेक्ट्रॉनिक्स कारपोरेशन लि० लखनऊ (डिजिटल सिस्टम यूनिट) को प्रशिक्षण संघटकों के लिए क्रमशः 5,45,000 रुपये की वित्तीय सहायता प्रदान की गई है।