Bonds for financing railway capital

802. SHRI RAVINDRA VERMA: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Railways have completed its study about the advisability of raising funds from public through "Bonds" for financing its capital expenditure;

(b) if so, what has been the conclusion of this study; and

(c) whether any decision has been taken in this matter ?

THE MINISTER OF RAILWAYS (SHRI A.B.A. GHANI KHAN CHOU-DHURY) : (a) to (c) The matter is under examination.

Latroduction of a direct train connecting Assam with Trivandrum

803. PROF. P.J. KURIEN : be pleased to state :

(a) whether Government propose to introduced a direct train connecting Assam with Trivandrum; and

(b) if so, the details thereof and the date on which it will commence operation ?

THE MINISTER OF RAILWAYS (SHRI A.B.A. GHANI KHAN CHOU-DHURY): (a) and (b) There is a proposal under consideration to run a weekly train between New Bongaigaon and Trivandrum and the same would be introduced as and when the proposal is finalised.

छत्तीसगढ़ क्षेत्र में रेलवे लाइन

804 श्री गोदिल प्रसाद चनुरागी : क्या रेल मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि स्वतन्त्रता प्राप्ति के बाद मध्य प्रदेश में, के रवा को छोड़कर छत्तीसगढ़ क्षेत्र में एक भी लाइन न विछाने के क्या कारण हैं ? रेल मंत्री (श्री ए० बी० ए० गनी खां चौधरी) : यह कहना सही नहीं है कि रवतन्त्रता प्राप्ति के बाद छत्तीसगढ़ क्षेत्र में मध्य प्रदेश में स्थित कोरबा को छोड़कर एक भी लाइन नहीं बिछाई गई । वास्तव में स्वतन्त्रता प्राप्ति के बाद 1958-59 से 1968-69 तक की श्रवधि में इस क्षेत्र में लगभग 337.01 कि० मी० लम्बी लाइनें बिछाई गयी हैं। उनका ब्योरा इस प्रकार है।

- भिलाई ढल्ली राजहरा (85-52 कि॰मी॰)
- दारीतोला (बरवासपुर) करोंजी (58.75 कि॰ मी॰)
- करोंजी विश्रामपुर (13.90 कि॰ मी॰)
- कोरबा गेदरा रोड (8.71 कि॰ मी॰)
- कोट्टबलासा किरान्दुल (मध्य प्रदेश में 170.13 कि० मी० का एक भाग)

Health Standards for Civilan Staff

805. RROF. AJIT KUMAR MEHTA: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have any rules/guidelines governing health standards of civilian staff (like armed services) appointed to high public offices requiring top physical and mental health standards and if so, details thereof;

(b) whether it is a fact that in several cases incumbents selected/appointed to top position had disabling heart attacks incapacitating them from active discharge of duties;