PORT be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it is a fact that there is always traffic jam near the Red Fort and Lothian Bridge because of only a narrow passage under the bridge to go to Kashmere Gate; and
- (b) if so, whether Government has any proposal to provide one or two more passages under the bridge for a free and smooth flow of traffic?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SHIPPING AND TRANS-PORT (SHRI Z.R. ANSARI): (a) and (b). Yes, Sir. Government of India have already accorded administrative approval to an estimate for Rs. 460.51 lacs for widening the Lothian Bridge. As the major work is to be carried out by the Railways, M.C.D. who are concerned with this project, have already deposited a sum of Rs. 20 lacs with the Railways to take up the project.

भीतिहरवा में रेलवे साइडिंग की व्यवस्था

4900. श्री रीतलाल प्रसाद वर्माः क्या रेल मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

- (क) क्या पश्चिमी चम्पारण (बिहार) में महात्मा गांधी के "साधना" स्थल भितिहरवा आश्रम में जहां से उन्होंने अपना पहला सत्याग्रह आरम्भ किया था, एक फ्लैंग स्टेशन बनाने की स्वीवृति 9 अप्रैल, 1981 को प्रदान की गई थी; और
- (ख) यदि हां, तो सरकार का विचार इस कृषि
 प्रधान क्षेत्र के गन्ना, चावल, बांस और इमारती
 लकड़ी उत्पादकों के लाभार्थ एक रेलवे साइडिंग
 की भी व्यवस्था करने का है ताकि परिवहन सुविधाओं की दृष्टि से पिछड़े इस क्षेत्र की ग्रामीण
 जनता को कच्चे माल की लदाई और उतराई करने
 की सुविधा प्राप्त हो सके ?

रेल मंत्रालय में राज्य मंत्री (श्री सी०के० जाफर शरीफ): (क) और (ख) भितिहरवा आश्रम हाल्ट का एक फ्लैंग स्टेशन (बिना साइडिंग) में परिवर्तन 4-4-1981 को रेल मंत्रालय द्वारा यात्री सुविधा के आधार पर स्वीकृत किया गया था। भितिहरवा आश्रम स्टेशन पर एक माल साइडिंग की व्यवस्था करने के प्रस्ताव की जांच की गयी थी लेकिन वित्तीय रूप से इसे औचित्य-पूर्ण नहीं पाया गया।

Introduction of a Bus Service between Nehru Stadium and Paschimpuri

4901. SHRI HIRALAL R. PARMAR: Will the Minister of SHIPPING AND TRANSPORT be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Government propose to start a new Delhi Transport Corporation bus route from Paschimpuri to Jawahar Lal Nehru Stadium via Punjabi Bagh, Guru, Nanak Public School, New Moti Nagar, Shadipur Depot, Central Secretariat, Krishi Bhawan, Man Singh Road, UPSC Office, Lok Nayak Bhavan, Dayal Singh College and Nehru Stadium;
- (b) whether it is a fact that there is no bus route to Nehru Stadium from Paschimpuri;
- (c) whether it is also a fact that Paschimpuri is a developing colony and due to great rush in Delhi Transport Corporation buses, office going people are facing great difficulty to go to their offices in time;
- (d) if so, when, such bus service will be introduced; and
 - (e) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SHIPPING AND TRANS-PORT (SHRI Z.R. ANSARI): (a) to (e). No, Sir. Paschimpuri is served by route Nos. 229, 233, 237, 905, 910, 914, 916, 919, 952, 956, M-42 and Shramik Seva connecting various nodal points in the city. These services are considered adequate to meet the existing transport requirement of the residents of the colony.

It is not practicable for the DTC to connect each residential locality to Nehru 69

Stadium or any other specific place with a direct bus service. DTC, however, tries that the commuter normally should be able to reach his destination with one change in cases where there is no direct service. In the present case also, the commuters can reach their destination with one change at Central Secretriat.

Relinquishment of Railway Land Adjacent to Jalpaigurl Station

4902. SHRI SUBODH SEN: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Government have received repeated representations from the Siliguri Jalpaiguri Development Authority for the relinquishment of Railway land adjacent to Jalpaiguri Station North Frontier Railway for the construction of a marketing complex; and
- (b) if so, whether the Government have come to a decision, and the result thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAIL'WAYS (SHRI C.K. JAFFER SHARIEF): (a) and (b). Yes, Sir. The proposal for relinquishment of Railway land has been accepted by the Railway Administration and the same is under pro-Coss.

Revision of Pay Scales in Railways

4903. DR. VASANT KUMAR PAN-DIT: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it is a fact that in the Railways various upward revisions of pay scales and increase in promotional avenues, have taken place without reference to any body/ commission, and that too without reference to or recommendation of the Third Pay Commission; and
- (b) if so, the details and reasons therefor ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI C.K. JAFFER SHARIEF): (a) and (b). A statement is attached.

Statement

(a) and (b). In order to ensure effective career planning for employees, the Ministry of Railways had been following a continuous process of review of cadres of both Gazetted and Non-Gazetted employees. This aspect has also been emphasized by the Third Pay Commission (1973) in para 17, Section B, Chapter 66, Vol. 1V of its Report. On the basis of these recommendations the Government had initiated a policy of cadre review and restructuring in various departments of the Central Government including the Ministry of Railways. Accordingly, the Ministry of Railways have been. conducting review and restructuring of the Gazetted and Non-Gazetted cadres of Railway employees with a view to improving promotion prospects and eliminating stagnation. Cadres Review is an on-going process and recognised Labour Associations are also associated in the process of review.

Number of Students in L.I.Ts.

4904. SHRI N. SELVARAJU: Will the Minister of EDUCATION AND CUL-TURE be pleased to state:

- (a) what is the total admission of students to the IIT colleges in the country in the year 1983;
- (b) how many students were admitted from Metropolitan cities, Madras, Bombay, Delhi and Calcutta;
- (c) how many students are from urban areas having population of more than one lakh:
- (d) how many students are from rural arcas
- (e) whether the distribution of seats is not, based on the population; and
- (f) if so, what is the reason for unequal distribution of seats for admission to these prestigeous institutions?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRIES OF EDUCATION AND CULTURE AND SOCIAL WELFARE