

(iii) renovation of sick railway lines and extension on lines ;

(b) if so, to what extent the achievements are likely to fall short of targets ; and

(c) whether it is mainly due to short-allocations of funds therefor to the extent of about 40 per cent and what steps are contemplated to augment the fund allocations for the Railway programmes ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI C.K. JAFFER SHARIEF) : (a) and (b) Against a target of 780 locomotives (later revised to 980), 1,00,000 (later scaled down to 77,000), and 5680 coaches, it is expected that within the resources made available to the Railways, it will be possible to acquire 950 locomotives, 72,000 wagons and 5,000 coaches.

Against the demand of 309 million tonnes of freight traffic as originally anticipated in the terminal years of the Sixth Plan, the Railways expect to lift about 270 million tonnes in 1984-85, which by and large will meet the needs.

Nearly, 9150 kms. of track will be renewed in the Sixth Plan against a target of 14,000 kms.

No targets for laying new lines were laid down in the Sixth Plan, but it is expected that about 940 kms. of new lines will be constructed in the Sixth Plan.

(c) The shortfall in targets is mainly due to inadequate funds allocations and price escalation. Efforts will continue to be made to persuade the Ministry of Finance and the Planning Commission to make increased allocations to the Railways.

#### Rosters for S.C. Candidates in case of Telephone Operators

8897. SHRI RAMJIBHAI MAVANI : Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state :

(a) whether two rosters are operated for Scheduled Castes Candidates in case of Telephone Operators grade 550-700 of Delhi Division, Northern Railway ; and

(b) if so, the reasons thereof ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI C.K. JAFFER SHARIEF) : (a) No Sir.

(b) Question does not arise.

#### Population Development Council

8898. SHRI K. MALLANNA : Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that Government have recently announced some financial attraction for men and women for the fiscal year 1984-85 for more vigorous implementation of the family planning programmes ;

(b) whether the Population Development Council which was constituted towards 1982 and to act as a 'think tank' of sorts, have suggested the Government some incentives or better communication and motivation strategies in the coming year ; and

(c) if so, the details in this regard ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRIMATI MOH-SINA KIDWAI) : (a) No.

(b) and (c) The Population Advisory Council had set up five Working Groups