

(b) if so, what action has been taken by the Central and Western Railway authorities to remove these obstructions; and

(c) which are the places in Bombay Suburban stations where these stalls are located?

THE MINISTER OF RAILWAYS (SHRI A.B.A. GHANI KHAN CHOU-DHURY) (a) No, Sir. However, a copy of the Bombay Corporation's Resolution No.199 dated 28.6.82 was received by the Central and Western Railways through Ministry of Railways in December, 1982.

(b) Both the Railways had stopped further licensing of stalls shops in circulating areas of stations in Bombay area as a policy prior to Corporation's resolution No 199 dated 28.6.82.

(c) Stalls are located at the following stations:

(i) *Central Railways*

Byculla, Parel, Kurla, Ghatkopar Mankhurd, Mulund, Chembur, Bhandup & King Circle (Nine)

(ii) *Western Railways*

Andheri, Goregaon, Vileparle, Malad, Kandivili (Five).

Reservation quota from Ratlam

2774. SHRI BHEEKHABHAI: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state :-

(a) whether it is a fact that different quotas are not prescribed for intermediate stations like Godhra, Dohad, Banswara from Ratlam in different trains;

(b) if so, reasons therefor;

(c) whether there is a demand from public of Banswara for reservation in

Bombay bound trains at Meghnagar Station; and

(d) if so, reasons for depriving the people of this facility?

THE MINISTER OF RAILWAYS (SHRI A.B.A. GHANI KHAN CHOU-DHURY): (a) to (d) Ratlam station has been provided reservation quotas by various trains which can be utilised for any destination subject to minimum distance restrictions wherever applicable. Journeys from Ratlam to Dohad & Godhra etc. can be conveniently undertaken by 20 Up Dehradun & 24 Up Janta Express trains as well as other passenger trains.

Reservation quotas have also been provided at intermediate stations such as Dohad, Godhra, & Meghnagar.

So far as Banswara is concerned, it is not a Railways Station. Demand has been received to provide quotas for passengers from Banswara for Bombay bound trains at Meghnagar station. The quotas provided at Meghnagar as well as at Ratlam and Dohad stations take into consideration the requirements of Banswara also.

Steps taken to stop pilferage of goods from Railways

2775. SHRI BASUDEB ACHARYA: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Railways are aware of the commodities which are prone to compensation claims, the areas which are vulnerable to pilferage, the personnel who cause and receive the pilfered goods and the railway staff whose active connivance is involved; and

(b) if so, what steps have been taken to stop all these?

THE MINISTER OF RAILWAYS (SHRI A.B.A. GHANI KHAN CHOU-DHURY): (a) Yes, Sir. Foodgrains,