٥

Survey Report of Kollemkode-Trichur Railway Line

6755. SHRI A. K. GOPALAN: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state :

- (a) whether the survey report Kollemkode-Trichur Railway line had been submitted to Government and if so, whether Government have approved the same; and
- (b) when the construction work of the line will be started?

THE MINISTER OF RAILWAYS (SHRI and HANUMANTHALYA): (a) Surveys carried out in 1946-49 had revealed that the line would be unremunerative. There is, therefore, no proposal for construction of this Railway Line.

Development of Small Scale Industries in NEFA

6756. SHRI C. C. GOHAIN: Will the Minister of INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) the steps taken by Government to improve the lot of small scale industries in NEFA; and
- (b) the amnunt allocated for the same during the year 1971-72?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF INDUSTRIAL DEVELOP-MENT (SHRI SIDDHESHWAR PRASAD): (a) At the request of the NEFA Administration, a survey of the potential for development of small scale industries in NEFA was conducted by the Small Scale Industries Development Organisation in 1970. One of the main recommendations of the survey report was that an Industrial Training Institute should be set up in NEFA to improve the skills of the local people. This recommendation has been accepted by the NEFA Administration and the Institute is expected to start functioning in August, 1971.

(b) A sum of Rs. 8.95 lakhs has been allocated for 1971-72 for village and small scale industries in NEFA.

Training Centre for developing Small Scale Industries in NEFA

- SHRI C. C. GOHAIN: Will the Minister of INDUSTRIAL DEVELOP-MENT be pleased to state:
- (a) whether Government propose to set up some Training Centre for developing small-scale industries in NEFA; and
- (b) if so, when and what would be the expenditure involved?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF INDUSTRIAL DEVELOP-MENT (SHRI SIDDHESHWAR PRASAD): (a) No. Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

Drawing of Water from Bhadra Canal to Tumkur District for Irrigation

- 6758. SHRI K. LAKKAPPA: Will the Minister of IRRIGATION AND POWER be pleased to state:
- propose to (a) whether Government draw water from Bhadra Canal to Tumkur District for irrigation purposes for the drought affected areas of that District; and
- (b) if so, when the proposal is likely to be implemented?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF IRRIGATION AND POWER (SHRI B. N. KUREEL): (a) and (b). Certrain proposals to use the waters of the Bhadra river for irrigation of Tumkur District are reported to be under investigation/study by the Government of Mysore. No project report has however been so far received at the Centre.

Educational Qualifications for candidates contesting elections to Parliament and State Legislatures

- 6759. SHR I BIRENDER SINGH RAO: Will the Minister of LAW AND JUSTICE be pleased to state:
- (a) whether an observation was made by the Chief Justice of India, as published in the Statesman dated the 30th November, 1970, wherein it has been stated that it might have