

**Representation for introduction
of a direct Express Train
between Katpadi and
Secunderabad**

391. SHRI P. NARASIMHA REDDY : Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state :

(a) whether any representation has been made to him for through-coach service with sleeper facility and for introduction of a direct Express train between Katpadi and Secunderabad; and

(b) if so, the action taken thereon ?

THE MINISTER OF RAILWAYS (SHRI K. HANUMANTHAIYA) : (a) Yes.

(b) The proposal has been examined but has not been found justified due to meagre offering of through traffic.

**Change in the Structure of
Railway Board**

392. SHRI B. R. SHUKLA : Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state :

(a) whether due to certain structural changes in the set-up of the Railway Board according to the report of the Administrative Reforms Commission, there are lot of transfers/postings of officers from the Railway Board of various Zonal Railways and vice versa; and

(b) the number of posts of officers surrendered/created on this account and the number of officers reverted/promoted in consequence in various Departments ?

THE MINISTER OF RAILWAYS (SHRI K. HANUMANTHAIYA) : (a) The recommendations of the Administrative Reforms Commission regarding set-up of the Railway Board are still under the consideration of the Government.

(b) Does not arise.

**Stoppage of Express/Mail trains at
Manikpur Railway Station
(North Eastern Railway)**

393. SHRI B. R. SHUKLA : Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state :

(a) whether all the Express/Mail trains stop at the Railway Station Manikpur in District Gonda on North Eastern Railway;

(b) the number of trains other than Express and Mail, passing through Manikpur Railway Station;

(c) the average daily earnings per Express and Mail train that stops at the Railway Station Manikpur; and

(d) the average daily earnings of the only Express train which stops at Jerwal Road Station on the North Eastern Railway ?

THE MINISTER OF RAILWAYS (SHRI K. HANUMANTHAIYA) : (a) No. Out of 4 Mail/Express trains running each way on the section, three trains in the Down and to in the Up direction are scheduled to stop at Manikpur Junction.

(b) Five trains each way, all of which are scheduled to stop at Manikpur Junction.

(c) Average daily earnings per Mail/Express train stopping at Manikpur is Rs. 271/-.

(d) Two Express trains stop at Jarwal Road station daily. Average daily earnings per Express train stopping at this station is Rs. 298.

Speeding up of Trains

394. SHRI NAGESHWARA RAO : Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state :

(a) whether it has been decided to increase the speed of different trains in the country; and