

Station, causing great difficulties to passenger of Aurangabad district:

(b) whether Bombay Mail, Kalka Mail, Purushottam Express, Jodhpur Express and Poorva Express do not have stoppage at Anugrah Narayan Road Station, which is the only railway station in Aurangabad district headquarter:

(c) if so, the reasons therefor; and

(d) the action proposed to be taken by the Government in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI SATPAL MAHARAJ) : (a) At present, no quota is available at Anugrah Narayan Road Station by 8475/8476 Neelanchal Express.

(b) Yes, Sir

(c) and (d). Instructions have been given to railways concerned to allot a quota of two sleeper class berths at Anugrah Narayan Road Station by 8475-7476 Neelanchal Express trains from the earliest possible date in both directions. There is no traffic justification to provide stoppages to these important trains

[English]

#### Consultative Committees

620 SHRIMATI BHAVANA BEN DEVRAJ BHAJ CHIKHALIA Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state

(a) the criteria adopted for the constitution of Zonal Railway Users Consultative Committees.

(b) whether due representation has been given to the Members of Parliament of the area on these committees; and

(c) if not the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI SATPAL MAHARAJ) : (a) to (c) To secure better representation of Railways Users and provide a forum for frequent interaction between Railways and Railway Users on matters relating to the services provided by Railways, Railway Users' Consultative Committees at Zonal levels are formed. In these Committees representation is given to local Chambers of Commerce and Industries, Trade Associations, Passenger Associations, Agricultural Interests, Consumer Forums, Representatives of State Government, State Legislatures, Members of Parliament etc. In addition, some members are also nominated by the Minister of Railways under the category of special interest to represent the interest of those users who have been other-wise given representation.

In the Zonal Railway Users Consultative Committee, nomination of 3 Members of Parliament (two from the Lok Sabha and one from the Rajya Sabha) are made

by the ministry of Parliamentary Affairs. As a matter of practice and policy, Members of Parliament hailing from the territorial jurisdiction of each of the zone are selected by that Ministry for nomination on Zonal Users Consultative Committee and due representation was given to the Members of Parliament from the respective areas of each zone.

[Translation]

#### Meerut-Murad Nagar Line

621. SHRI AMAR PAL SINGH : Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state

(a) time by which construction on work of broad gauge railway line between Meerut-Murad Nagar is likely to be started for which funds have already been allocated in the budget

(b) the funds allocated for it and the target date of its completion; and

(c) the reasons for the delay in this regard, if any?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI SATPAL MAHARAJ) : (a) Preliminary works on doubling of Muradnagar to Meerut City section are already in progress

(b) The allocation of funds is indicated in the budget documents which would be available to the Members shortly

(c) Does not arise

#### Misuse of Revenue

622 SHRI VINAY KATIYAR Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state

(a) whether the Government have received any complaints regarding misusing of revenue by clerks of reservation and booking centres at Kanpur, Central Railway Station, and

(b) if so, the details thereof and the action taken by the Government against the guilty personnel?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI SATPAL MAHARAJ) : (a) No Sir

(b) Does not arise

[English]

#### Surplus Land

623 SHRI HARIVANSH SAHAJ Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state

(a) the total area of surplus land in the possession of the Bhatani Railway Station on the North-Eastern railway.