

(c) The trains still remaining cancelled will be progressively restored as and when the loco coal supply position on Railways improves.

Doubling of Railway Track from Arkonam to Cochin

2684 SHRI C. H. MOHAMED KOYA : Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state :

(a) whether the Railway Ministry had decided to double the track from Arkonam to Cochin ;

(b) whether the doubling is over in the Tamil Nadu portion of the track ; and

(c) how much time will it take to double the Kerala portion ?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI MOHD SHAH QURFISHI) : (a) to (c). The position is as under :

(i) *Tamil Nadu* : Double line to the extent of 383 km. is already available. Work on the doubling of 46 km is in progress and expected to be completed by December, 1974. Doubling of the single line portion between Irugur and Podanur is not considered necessary.

(ii) *Kerala* : Double line to the extent of 45 km is already available. Work on the doubling of 18 km. is in progress and expected to be completed by December, 1974. No target date for doubling of the balance portion of the section has yet been fixed.

Use of Coal in Place of Oil Fuel

2685 SHRI SHRIKISHAN MODI:
SHRI RAGHUNANDAN LAL
BHATIA:

Will the Minister of IRRIGATION AND POWER be pleased to state:

(a) whether his Ministry has deferred the

proposed switching over from oil fuel to coal;

(b) if so, the reasons therefor; and

(c) if not, which are the units proposed to be converted into coal-based ones?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF IRRIGATION AND POWER (SHRI SIDDHESHWAR PRA-SAD) : (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

(c) The following units are proposed to be converted into coal fired ones:-

Name of Power Station	Installed capacity of units to be converted (MW)	
(i) Barauni (Bihar)	2 × 15 MW 2 × 50 MW	} 130 MW
(ii) Ahmedabad (Gujarat)	4 × 15 MW 2 × 30 MW	
(iii) Trombay (Maharashtra)	2 × 62.5 MW (1 × 62.5 MW plus 1 × 150 MW to switch over to coal. No con- version is required)	125 MW
(iv) Dhuvaran (Gujarat)	4 × 63.5 MW	254 MW

Fund for Rural Electrification in Fifth Plan

2686 SHRI SHRIKISHAN MODI:
SHRI HUKAM CHAND
KACHWAL.

Will the Minister of IRRIGATION AND POWER be pleased to state:

(a) whether Rural Electrification Corporation of India had approached the Centre to make sufficient provision for the electrification of the rural areas in the country;

(b) if so, the total amount allocated during the Fifth Five Year plan for the purpose; and

(c) the total number of villages which will be electrified and the number which will still be left out by the end of the Fifth Five Year Plan?