

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF IRRIGATION AND POWER (SHRI SIDDHESHWAR PRA-SAD): (a) The Rural Electrification Corporation had proposed an outlay of Rs. 950 crores for their rural electrification programmes during the Fifth Five Year Plan.

(b) Rupees 400 crores have been allocated for the Rural Electrification Corporation during the Fifth Five Year Plan. In addition Rs. 275 crores under the Minimum Needs Programme is also likely to be channelised through the Rural Electrification Corporation.

(c) There are 5,66,878 villages in the country. By the end of the Fifth Plan 2.58 lakh villages are planned to be electrified. Thus 3.09 lakh villages will remain unelectrified.

Third big station for Calcutta

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Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) the number of incoming and outgoing passenger trains at Howrah and Sealdah stations daily and the number of such trains at two big stations of Delhi and Bombay;

(b) whether to check overcrowding at existing Railway Stations in Calcutta, it is proposed to have a third big station;

(c) if so, the estimated outlay thereof ?

(d) the name of the station which will be developed for the purpose; and

(e) the number of passenger trains likely to arrive and depart from there?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI MOHD. SHAFI QURESHI) : (a) A Statement is attached.

(b) to (d). The following surveys are in progress:—

(1) Techno-economic survey for sectional and terminal facilities required for dealing with suburban and non-suburban traffic in Howrah and Sealdah Divisions, terminal facilities for parcel traffic for Eastern and South Eastern Railways, additional facilities for South Eastern Railway Suburban trains at Howrah, and facilities for dispersal of goods traffic from Howrah and Sealdah. The survey Report pertaining to Howrah Station has been examined and the following works have been included in the Budget for 1974-75 as Phase I at a cost of Rs. 1.48 crores:

(i) Placement of structures of the General Stores and signalling Workshop at Howrah and Shifting them to Belur.

(ii) Replacement of the structures of the Belur Scrap Yard and shifting it to Dankuni. This will release space for further expansion of terminal facilities at Howrah

(2) Engineering-cum-Traffic Survey for provision of suburban terminal facilities in Calcutta (South Eastern Railway).

It is too early to indicate the facilities to be provided as the details have not yet been finalised.

(e) Cannot be indicated at this stage.

STATEMENT

Daily number of incoming and out-going trains

Name of Station	No. of trains		
	Incoming	Outgoing	
Howrah	169	169	} These include the weekly, biweekly and triweekly trains also.
Sealdah	199	199	
Delhi B.G.	69	70	
Delhi M.G.	13	13	
New Delhi	67	67	
Bombay VT (including Dadar)	346	346	
Bombay Central (including Dadar)	22	30	
Bombay (Churchgate)	245	237	