

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND CHEMICALS (SHRI SHAHNAWAZ KHAN): (a) No, Sir.

(b) and (c). Do not arise.

Proposal to reintroduce Air Conditioned Deluxe Express Train between Ahmedabad and Bombay

2728. SHRI P. G. MAVALANKAR: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government propose to re-introduce an Air-conditioned delux express train between Ahmedabad and Bombay;

(b) if so, when and with what frequency; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI MOHD. SHAFI QURESHI): (a) There is no proposal at present.

(b) Does not arise.

(c) For lack of traffic justification and for want of spare air-conditioned rakes.

Foreign Technical Assistance for setting up power houses for Railways

2729. SHRI N. SHIVAPPA:

SHRI RAGHUNANDAN LAL BHATIA :

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state :

(a) whether any foreign technical assistance has been sought for setting up power houses for Railways ;

(b) if so, which countries have offered the same; and

(c) whether the views of the Ministry of Irrigation and Power have also been obtained?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI MOHD. SHAFI QURESHI): (a) No.

(b) and (c). Do not arise.

Waiters working on Commission basis in Railways

2730. SHRI P. M. MEHTA: Will the MINISTER OF RAILWAYS be pleased to state :

(a) whether the waiters of Frontier Mail are working on the commission basis in the Railways ;

(b) whether these waiters have been working for the last 7 years in the Railways as the commission waiters ;

(c) if so, the rate of their commission on sales ;

(d) whether these waiters do not enjoy all the facilities like residence and free pass available to other Railway employees, if so, the reasons therefor;

(e) whether Government propose to give them more benefits and facilities; and

(f) if so, when the final decision in this regard is likely to be taken?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI MOHD. SHAFI QURESHI): (a) Some of the waiters on the Frontier Mail are working on commission basis.

(b) No.

(c) The rate of commission to the commission waiters is 10 per cent of the total sales.

(d) The commission waiters are not railway employees and hence are not entitled to facilities like residence, free passes, etc.

(e) No.

(f) Does not arise.