

B.A.K. Railway track diversion at R.D. 117;

(b) whether the extent of submerision in the back catchment area above the Farakka Barrage in Bihar has been ascertained by a proper survey and the concurrence of Bihar State for this submerision btaine:' and

(c) when is the Feeder canal likely to be completed and flow of 40 cusecs of water from the Ganga into the Hooghly-Bhag' rathi channel made possible ?

THE MINISTER OF IRRIGATION AND POWER (SHRI K. C. PANT) : (a) The present position regarding different items of work mentioned is as under :

Work	Present Stage of Execution
(i) Bridge at R.D. 28 near Ballalpur.	A road bridge at R.D. 28 5 to serve Ballalpur Shankarpur region has been recently approved. The foundation stone for this bridge was laid on 28-2-1974
(ii) Bridge at R.D. 34 near Shankarapur	
(iii) Bridge at R.D. 62 Dhuhan-Pakur road	Substructure, except for load testing on one abutment well and raising of pier, completed. Casting of deck slab in progress
(iv) Digging of canal from R.D. 87 to R.D. 98.	The work is in an advanced stage of progress.
(v) Diversion for N.H. 34 at R.D. 107	Both the Railway line and the National Highway 34 will be diverted over the rail-cum-road bridge at R.D.112. The rail traffic has already been diverted over the new bridge. The road portion is nearing completion.
(vi) Diversion for B.A.K. Railway track at R.D. 117	

(b) According to the back water survey conducted by the Project, an area of 5,029 ha. will come under submerision. Of this, 390 ha. will be in West Bengal, 2,620 ha. in Bihar and 2,019 ha. in either Bihar or West Bengal depending upon the finalisation of the mid-stream survey being conducted by the two States. Both the State Governments are agreeable to the submerision and have initiated land acquisition proceedings.

(c) Work on the Feeder Canal is expected to be completed by the monsoon of 1974.

**Proposal to Link Kezhoor (Kerala) and Madurai (Tamil Nadu) with Microwave net work of Indian Railways**

2804. SHRI A. K. GOPALAN : Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state :

(a) whether Government propose to have a new station building at Kezhoor in Kerala :

(b) whether there is any proposal for Kezhoor in Kerala State and Madurai in Tamil Nadu to be linked with microwave net work of the Indian Railways and

(c) if so, when that is likely to be completed ?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI MOHD. SHAFI QURESHI) : (a) No. There is no Railway Station named Kezhoor in Kerala State.

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

12 hrs.

CALLING ATTENTION TO MATTER OF URGENT PUBLIC IMPORTANCE U.S. NUCLEAR-POWER AIRCRAFT CARRIER 'KITTY HAWK' SAILING INTO THE INDIAN OCEAN.

SHRI JYOTIRMOY BOSU (Diamond Harbour) : Sir, I call the attention of the hon. Minister of External Affairs to the