

Train Robbery near Banda

3649. SHRI RAGHUNANDAN LAL BHATIA:

SHRI SHRIKISHAN MODI:

SHRI P. GANGADEB:

SHRI D. D. DESAI:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether on the night of 10th February 1975 there was a train robbery near Banda; and

(b) if so, the facts thereof?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI BUTA SINGH) (a) No train robbery was committed near Banda on the night of 10th February, 1975. A dacoity, however, was committed in 109 Dn Banda Lucknow Express between Patara and Kathara railway stations on 10-2-1975

(b) A gang of 7/8 dacoits armed with country made pistols, revolvers and iron rods entered a 2nd class compartment of 109 Dn. (Banda-Lucknow Express) on 10-2-1975 and after assaulting 2 passengers looted cash and other belongings worth about Rs. 56,470. They escaped after destroying vacuum. The Government Railway Police armed guard travelling on the train chased them but could not apprehend any of the culprits.

Government Railway Police, Banda, have registered a case and started investigations. One person has been arrested in this connection.

Passenger Trains as on 1st January, 1974 and 1st January, 1975

3850. SHRI SHARAD YADAV: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) the number of passenger trains of all descriptions, zone-wise as on 1st January, 1974;

(b) the number of passenger trains as on 1st January, 1975;

(c) the number of trains cancelled during this period because of the shortage of coal/electric power/diesel; and

(d) when will all the cancelled trains be restored?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI BUTA SINGH) (a) to (d) The information is being collected and will be laid on the table of the Sabha.

Cost of Korba Fertilizer Plant

3851. SHRI BHARAT SINGH CHOWHAN: Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND CHEMICALS be pleased to state

(a) what is the total cost of the Korba Fertilizer project;

(b) how much money has already been spent on the project so far;

(c) what is the amount proposed to be spent on the project in the year 1975-76; and

(d) when is the project likely to be completed?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND CHEMICALS (SHRI K. R. GANESH):

(a) Rs 150 00 crores.

(b) Rs. 4.57 crores upto 31-12-1974.

(c) Rs. 4 00 crores.

(d) The implementation of the project is being rephased with due regard to the resource position.