

### Coach Washing Platforms at Itarsi

1213. SHRI M. G. UIKEY: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state

(a) whether the coach washing platforms at Itarsi are not in use; and

(b) if so, since when and reasons therefor?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI BUTA SINGH) (a) No Coach washing siding is in use from January 1971

(b) Does not arise

### Construction of Over-Bridges at Itarsi

1214 SHRI NITIRAJ SINGH CHAUDHARY Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state

(a) whether a decision to construct over-bridges at Itarsi on Nagpur road level crossing and on Itarsi town level crossing has been taken; and

(b) if so, when the construction works are likely to be taken in hand?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI BUTA SINGH) (a) Not yet however, a proposal to construct road over-bridges on Nagpur road level crossing and on Itarsi town level crossing is under consideration

(b) This can be indicated only after the proposal is finalised and the work included in the Railway Budget

### Replacement of Fuel-Oil by Naphtha for Phoolpur Plant

1215 SHRI P. GANGADEB: Will the Minister of CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS be pleased to state:

(a) whether there has been any increase in the availability of naphtha

during the last six months from Bombay High;

(b) if so, the proposal of Government regarding replacement of Fuel-oil by naphtha as feed-stock for the Phoolpur Plant of the Indian Farmers' Fertiliser Corporation;

(c) what has been the offer of loan by the World Bank for the above said project originally based on fuel-oil, and

(d) the steps taken to obtain the approval of the World Bank for the switch-over?

THE MINISTER OF CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS (SHRI P. C. SETHI) (a) and (b) The crude from the Bombay High has not so far been processed, but the characteristics of the crude already found and analysed indicate that it would be lighter than the imported crudes which are processed in our refineries. Thus, the Bombay High crude is expected to have a larger proportion of naphtha than that of imported crudes. In this context, and the anticipated surplus availability of naphtha in the North-Western region the Phulpur fertilizer project has been allowed to use naphtha as feed-stock in place of fuel oil

(c) and (d) A loan of \$ 109 million has been negotiated with the World Bank for the Phulnur project. The World Bank has also approved the changeover of the feedstock for the project from fuel oil to naphtha

### Conversion of Bangalore-Guntakal Metre Gauge Line into Broad Gauge

1216 SHRI P. ANTONY REDDI: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state.

(a) whether the conversion of the metre gauge line into broad gauge on Bangalore to Guntakal section has been completed; and

(b) if not, when will the work be completed?