

Bankhedi Railway Station (Central Railway)

2021. Shri Nitiraj Singh Chaudhari: Will the Minister of Railways be pleased to state:

(a) whether a new station building has been constructed at Bankhedi (Central Railway);

(b) whether it is a fact that there is no verandah or upper class waiting room there;

(c) whether it is also a fact that there is no latrine and urinal at the Up and Down platforms at the said station; and

(d) if so, the steps taken to provide these facilities at this station?

The Minister of Railways (Shri C. M. Poonacha): (a) Yes.

(b) A verandah has been provided in the station building but no upper class waiting room has been provided at this station.

(c) No. One block of latrines and urinals for gents and another for ladies have been provided on the up platform but not on the down platform.

(d) The upper class passenger traffic handled at this station is too small and does not justify provision of an upper class waiting room. As regards latrines and urinals on down platform, provision of the same is also not considered necessary at present since this platform is being connected by a foot overbridge with the up platform where adequate number of latrines and urinals have been provided.

Thompson Press (India) Ltd., Faridabad

2022. Shrimati Savitri Shyam: Will the Minister of Industrial Development and Company Affairs be pleased to state:

(a) whether a new enterprise under the name of Thompson Press (India) Ltd., has been started at Faridabad;

(b) if so, the founders and collaborators of the concern and the object with which it has been started and the assistance Government have provided to this enterprise;

(c) the reasons for Thomson Press being needed for the production of books when Government have their own National Book Trust and they help other Trusts; and

(d) whether there is also a proposal to start a chain of newspapers by this enterprise?

The Minister of Industrial Development and Company Affairs (Shri F. A. Ahmed): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) During October 1963, Government of India approved the collaboration agreement between M/s. Thompson Press India Ltd., New Delhi and M/s. Thompson Printers Ltd., London, U.K. for the establishment of a Printing Plant on the following terms and conditions:

(i) The total issued capital of the company will be Rs. 25 lakhs of which M/s. Thompson Printers Ltd., London will contribute 40 per cent.

(ii) The foreign investment will be utilised for purchase of imported plant and machinery for setting up a modern book printing and book binding plant;

(iii) The cost of balance of the imported equipment required for setting up the plant will be met by a loan of £100,000 to be advanced by M/s. Thompson Printers Ltd., London, carrying interest at the rate of 6 per cent per annum, the repayment being spread over a period of not less than 10 years.

(iv) The company must confine its business to the printing and reprinting of books which would be primarily scientific and technical standard text

books. Printing of journals magazines of news letters will not be allowed.

- (v) The import of capital equipment as well as import of paper, if any, shall be governed by the Import Control regulations in force from time to time.
- (vi) The repayment of the loan will be made out of export earnings, by undertaking printing orders from foreign publishing houses.
- (vii) The duration of the agreement will be 10 years. Extension of the agreement beyond this period will be subject to the prior approval of the Government of India.

(c) The object clause of the Memorandum of Association setting up the Society "National Book Trust", envisages (i) the production and encouragement to the production of good literature and making it available at moderate prices to the public; and (ii) the publication in English and Indian languages, of books of the classical literature of India, outstanding work of Indian authors in Indian Languages and their translation from one language to another; translations of outstanding books from foreign languages and outstanding books of modern knowledge for popular diffusion. The primary objective of the Trust is to make people book-minded. The essential difference in the operation of the Thompson Press and the National Book Trust is that while the former is concerned with production of scientific and technical standard textbooks, the National Book Trust caters to the needs of general readers rather than to school and college students.

(d) No such proposal has so far been received from M/s. Thompson Press (India) Limited.

Industries with Canadian Collaboration

2024. Shri Nitinaj Singh Chandhary: Will the Minister of Industrial Development and Company Affairs be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Canada has offered collaboration for starting industries in India;
- (b) if so, the proposed industries; and
- (c) whether this offer is likely to be accepted, and if so, by what time?

The Minister of Industrial Development and Company Affairs (Shri F. A. Ahmed): (a) to (c). A trade delegation from British Columbia (Canada) which recently visited India to find ways and means for closer collaboration between India and British Columbia in the fields of trade and joint ventures, had shown interest in the setting up of the following industries in India:—

- (a) paper board and kraft paper from bagasse.
- (b) vanaspati or peanut butter from peanut oil.
- (c) fertilisers.
- (d) logging industry.
- (e) biscuit making.

The talks which the delegation had with the officials and business men in the country were of an exploratory nature and it is yet to be seen whether any thing tangible will materialise.

अनुसूचित जातियों के वातायात प्रशिक्षणार्थी
(ट्रिफिक ट्रेनिंग)

2025. श्री अरजुन सिंह बरोरिया : क्या रेलवे मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या उनको मालूम है कि 1961 में रेलवे सेवा प्रायोग, इलाहाबाद द्वारा वातायात प्रशिक्षणार्थी के पर के लिये पुणे