

Ramanathapuram at Madurai, who is the ex-officio Claims Commissioner of the area, for making payments.

Accident near Miraj

611. **Shri Tula Ram:**
Shri Vishwa Nath Pandey:
Shri D. C. Sharma:
Shri Maheswar Naik:
Shri Bibhuti Mishra:
Shri Yashpal Singh:
Shri P. C. Borooah:
Shri Bagri:
Dr. Ram Manohar Lohia:
Shri Ram Harkh Yadav:
Shri Krishnapal Singh:
Shri D. B. Raju:
Shrimati Ramdulari Sinha:
Shrimati Savitri Nigam:
Shri Bade:
Shri Hukam Chand
Kachhavaiya:

Will the Minister of Railways be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that some persons were killed and many injured seriously when the 206 Down Poona-Vasco Express met with a major accident on the 10th October, 1966 between Miraj and Mahaisal Railway Stations on the Belgaum—Miraj Section of Hubli Division of the South Central Railway;

(b) if so, the total number of persons killed and injured;

(c) the causes of the accident;

(d) the total amount of loss of the Railway property; and

(e) whether any inquiry has been instituted into the matter, if so, the result thereof?

The Minister of State in the Ministry of Railways (Dr. Ram Subhag Singh): (a) Yes.

(b) As a result of the accident 10 persons were killed and 118 injured.

(c) and (e). According to the provisional findings of the Additional Commissioner of Railway Safety, Bangalore who held his statutory enquiry into this accident, the accident was due to tampering with track by some unknown persons.

(d) Rupees 2,55,500 approximately.

Remodelling of Bangalore City Railway Station

612. **Shri H. C. Linga Reddy:** Will the Minister of Railways be pleased to state:

(a) when the remodelling of the Bangalore city Railway Station was taken up;

(b) the estimated cost thereof with details of the remodelling work going on; and

(c) when the same will be completed?

The Minister of State in the Ministry of Railways (Dr. Ram Subhag Singh): (a) The work of remodelling of station building at Bangalore City was taken up in the month of October 1964.

(b) The estimated cost of the work is Rs. 75,87,830. The details of the remodelling work going on are as under:

Work on the new station building and road under bridge No. 867, subway, covering over the passenger platform, circulating area and approach road are in progress. Staff quarters and watering arrangement works have been completed.

(c) The work is expected to be completed by September 1967.

Deraillments in the Hill Section of N.E.F. Railway

613. **Shrimati Jyotsna Chanda:** Will the Minister of Railways be pleased to state:

(a) the number of derailments which occurred in the Hill Section of the North-East Frontier Railway from 1st April to 15th October, 1966, month-wise; and

(b) the causes thereof?

The Deputy Minister in the Ministry of Railways (Shri Sham Nath): (a) The number of derailments which occurred on the Lumding-Badarpur Hill