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2815 Up Neelachal Exp.	10	6
2816 Dn. Neelachal Exp.	15	-
8302 Up NzM-Sambharpur Hirakund Exp.	2	-
8475/76 Neelachal Exp.	-	19
	60	51

(c) An Action Plan for controlling crime on trains has been prepared which includes measures to be taken to prevent unauthorised entry into reserved compartments in trains.

Functioning of Dispensaries

2502. DR. RAMKRISHNA KUSMARIA : Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state :

(a) the amount being spent annually by Railways on different systems of medicine, System-wise;

(b) whether Ayurvedic and Homoeopathic doctors get the same facilities as that of Allopathic doctors; and

(c) if not, the details and reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF RAILWAYS (SHRI RAM VILAS PASWAN) : (a) Annual expenditure on different systems of medicine on Indian Railways is as under :

Allopathic - Rs. 302.23 Crores.

Ayurvedic and Homoeopathic - Rs. 66 Lakhs Approx.

(b) and (c) Railways have adopted Allopathic system of medicine for which complete infrastructure has been created. Homoeopathic and Ayurvedic Doctors are also engaged only for professional consultations on fixed monthly honorarium from Staff Benefit Fund.

HPT at Cannanore in Kerala

2503. SHRI MULLAPPALLY RAMACHANDRAN : Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state :

(a) whether the land for the proposed High Power T.V. Transmitter at Cannanore in Kerala has been acquired;

(b) if so, whether the Government have laid the foundation stone for the proposed T.V. Transmitter at Cannanore;

(c) if so, the details thereof;

(d) whether the work for the construction of transmitter has been started; and

(e) if not, the time by which it is likely to be started?

THE MINISTER OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (SHRI S. JAIPAL REDDY) : (a) to (e) Land measuring 3.5 acres at Mangathuparamba in Taliparamba Taluk has already been acquired for the High Power TV Transmitter (HPT) project envisaged to be set up at Cannanore in Kerala. The foundation stone for the said project was laid in December, 1995. The actual implementation of the HPT project at Cannanore would depend upon approval of the scheme by the competent authority, availability of resources and infrastructural facilities required for the purpose.

Appointment on Compassionate Ground

2504. SHRI P.R.S. VENKATESAN :
SHRIMATI M. PARVATI :

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state :

(a) whether the Government have received some representations from the Government of Tamil Nadu and Gujarat regarding appointment of dependent of deceased railway employees on compassionate ground; .

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the action taken by the Government thereon?

THE MINISTER OF RAILWAYS (SHRI RAM VILAS PASWAN) : (a) to (c) The information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the Sabha.

[Translation]

Concessions to District Level Journalists

2505. DR. G.R. SARODE : Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to refer to the reply given to Unstarred Question No. 2042 dated March 6, 1996 and state :

(a) whether any orders have been issued for giving concession in railway fare to the district level Journalist; and

(b) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF RAILWAYS (SHRI RAM VILAS PASWAN) : (a) : Yes, Sir.

(b) Press Correspondents accredited to the Headquarters of Districts will be given concession on par with Central and State level accredited correspondents,

i.e. they would be issued rail travel coupon books at 25% concession in First Class and 50% concession in Second/ Sleeper Class for travel upto 2500 Kms. per month on bonafide professional work, if residing within 25 Kms. of the concerned District Headquarter. Those who possess first class coupon books are also entitled to purchase tickets for airconditioned classes within the limits prescribed for First Class. This facility will come into effect from 15.08.1997.

[English]

Shifting of Electrification Office

2506. DR. M. JAGANNATH : Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state :

(a) whether there is a proposal to shift the railway electrification office from Vijayawada;

(b) if so, the reasons therefor;

(c) whether South Central Railways trade unions are agitating for retaining of the electrification office at Vijayawada; and

(d) if so, the steps taken by the Government in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF RAILWAYS (SHRI RAM VILAS PASWAN) : (a) to (d) No, Sir. However, the electrification work of Vijayawada-Vishakhapatnam section has since been completed. Consequently, the work load of the project has got reduced considerably and the project office at Vijayawada has to be operated at a reduced level consistent with the work load. Representations have been received from S.C. Railway Trade Unions, and efforts are being made to minimise disturbance to the existing staff.

[Translation]

Installation of H.P.T. in the country

2507. KUMARI UMA BHARATI :
SHRI PRABHU DAYAL KATHERIA:
SHRI ANAND RATNA MAURYA :

Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state :

(a) whether there is a proposal to install High power transmitters within the present frame work during the Ninth Five Year Plan in the country;

(b) if so, the salient features thereof;

(c) the estimated expenditure likely to incur on it;

(d) the number of persons likely to be benefited from this scheme; and

(e) the target fixed for installing transmitters during Ninth Plan?

THE MINISTER OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (SHRI S. JAIPAL REDDY) : (a) to (e) While the Ninth Plan proposals of Doordarshan have not yet been approved, sixteen High Power TV Transmitter (HPT) projects of varying power are presently under implementation in the country. The requisite details are given in the attached statement. The total approved capital cost of the sixteen HPT projects presently under implementation is Rs. 105.33 crores. Whereas a High Power (10KW-VHF) TV Transmitter is expected to provide TV service to a population residing within a radial distance of 120 km., the HPTs operating on 5KW-UHF/1KW-VHF power are expected to provide TV service upto a radial distance of 60 km. The above coverage ranges are inclusive of fringe service areas where elevated antenna and boosters are required for receiving satisfactory service.

Statement

List of High Power TV transmitter projects of varying power presently under implementation in the country

Type of Transmitter	Power of Transmitter	Location
(i) HPTs(VHF)	10 KW-permanent set ups	Rajamundry, Bhuji, Calicut, Barmer.
(ii) HPTs (VHF)	10 KW	Baleshwar, Sambalpur, Fazilka, Gulbarga, Jodhpur, Mussoorie (DD 2).
(iii) HPT (VHF)	1 KW	Hyderabad (DD2) Bangalore (DD2) Hassan, Churanchandpur, Banda
(iv) HPT (UHF)	5 KW	Kathua

[English]

Dispute Regarding Claim in Power Project

2508. SHRI GIRDHARI LAL BHARGAVA : Will the Minister of POWER be pleased to state :

(a) whether there is any dispute between Rajasthan, Haryana & Punjab regarding claim in power projects of Punjab;

(b) if so, the details thereof;