

last one year are as under :

Month	(In wagons) MG							
	Foodgrain	Salt	Sugar	Cement	POL	Fertiliser	Other	Total
April' 95	763	106	-	262	392	-	391	1914
May' 95	734	166	58	6	234	-	474	1672
June' 95	880	10	102	204	366	4	444	2010
July' 95	920	6	8	180	366	80	462	2022
August' 95	420	4	202	220	302	14	502	1664
Sept.' 95	994	60	42	348	252	6	776	2478
Oct' 95	746	134	2	222	400	42	188	1734
Nov.' 95	722	50	16	206	200	50	256	1500
Dec.' 95	748	28	108	306	316	44	254	1904
Jan' 96	662	94	144	194	264	14	204	1576
Feb.' 96	884	58	108	132	260	54	140	1636
March' 96	1278	4	-	88	324	56	30	1780
April' 96	888	116	42	104	418	14	168	1780
May' 96	1014	74	82	46	344	58	68	1826
June' 96	1122	42	12	170	304	78	136	1820

#### A.C. Sleeper in Palamau Express

682. SHRI RAMENDRA KUMAR  
SHRI VIRENDRA KUMAR SINGH

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state :

(a) whether there is any proposal to attach one A.C. Sleeper Compartment to Palamau Express from Patna to Barkakana, Eastern Railway.

(b) if so, the details thereof, and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI SATPAL MAHARAJ) : (a) to (c) Railways have already decided to provide A.C. 2nd Sleeper coaches on all long distance overnight Mail Express trains in a phased manner depending upon their availability from Railways' Production Units.

[Translation]

#### Grant from U.S.A.

683. SHRI SATYA DEO SINGH  
SHRI AMAR PAL SINGH

Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS be pleased to state :

(a) whether U.S.A. has made any proposal to provide grant for the promotion of new environmental techniques in the Indian industries;

(b) if so, the details thereof, and

(c) the amount of the grant and by when it is likely to be received?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS (CAPT JAI NARAYAN PRASAD NISHAD) : (a) and (b) This Ministry has not received any such proposal from U.S.A. to provide grants for the promotion of new environmental techniques for industries. However, an agreement was signed in 1995 between Government of India, Industrial Development Bank of India (IDBI) and United States Agency for International Development (USAID) for the Greenhouse Gas Pollution Prevention Project (GEEP) costing US \$106.53 million. The objective of the project is (i) to reduce emission of greenhouse gas in per unit of electrical energy generated by increasing energy productivity in thermal power generating plants, and introduce commercially viable Efficient Coal conversion (ECC) technologies and (ii) to encourage the use of Alternative Bagasse Co-generation (ABC) technologies in sugar industries. The project will be implemented by IDBI, Indian renewable Energy Development Agency (IREDA) and National Thermal Power Corporation (NTPC).

(c) A total grant of US \$ 19 million will be extended by USAID under this project. The total grant disbursed by USAID under this project till May, 1996 was US \$ 0.02 million.