

pair of express train viz. 6525/6526 Kanniyakumari-Bangalore Express provides daily service between Thiruvananthapuram and Bangalore besides 6335/6336 Nagarcoil-Gandhidham Express (weekly) between Thiruvananthapuram and Bangalore.

(b) and (c) Some representations from MPs/MLAs, including from travelling public, have been received in this regard. These demands have been examined but not found feasible due to operational and resource constraints.

[*Translation*]

#### **Reservation Facility at Nalanda Railway Station**

5289. SHRI RAMASHRAY PRASAD SINGH: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the reservation facility is available at Nalanda Railway Station for the trains starting from Patna Junction to Delhi, Howrah, Bombay etc;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) if not, the reasons therefor;

(d) whether the Government propose to provide reservation facility at this station with a view of facilitate the passengers;

(e) if so, the total number of seats for which reservation facility is likely to be provided at this station; and

(f) the time by which adequate reservation facility is likely to be provided from this station?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI SATPAL MAHARAJ): (a) No, Sir.

(b) and (c) The sale of tickets is too meagre to justify allotment of reservation quota.

(d) No, Sir.

(e) and (f) Do not arise.

#### **Transmitter Network on Border Areas of Jammu and Kashmir**

5290. SHRIMATI PURNIMA VERMA: Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government propose to set up a network of high and low power transmitters on the border areas of Jammu and Kashmir with a view to educate and entertain the people of the area; and

(b) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (SHRI S. JAIPAL REDDY): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) With a view to further augment TV service in the State of Jammu and Kashmir, particularly the border areas, two HPTs, 3 LPTs, 10 VLPTs and one transposer

are presently under implementation/envisaged to be set up in the State.

[*English*]

#### **Non AC-II Class Compartments in Shatabdi Express**

5291. SHRI S.D.N.R. WADIYAR: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) the number of non AC-II Class compartments in Shatabdi Express plying between Mysore and Chennai;

(b) whether the Government are considering to introduce few non AC-II Class compartments to help ordinary passengers travelling from Mysore directly to and from Madras; and

(c) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI SATPAL MAHARAJ): (a) None.

(b) No, Sir.

(c) Does not arise.

#### **Survey for Laying Down Bijnore-Muzaffarnagar Rail Line**

5292. SHRI SOHANVEER SINGH: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government are considering to conduct survey for laying down railway line from Bijnore to Muzaffarnagar;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the progress made in this regard so far?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI SATPAL MAHARAJ): (a) No, Sir.

(b) and (c) Do not arise.

[*Translation*]

#### **Employment on Compassionate Grounds**

5293. SHRI FAGGAN SINGH KULESTE: Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is any scheme in the Telecom Department which provides for employment of compassionate grounds to the next of the kin of the employees who die in harness;

(b) if so, the duration by which the department provides such employment to the family members of the deceased employees; and

(c) the details in this regards?

THE MINISTER OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI BENI PRASAD VARMA): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) and (c) Such cases are processed on the basis