rail connectivity, but not all places of religious interest can be connected by rail in view of the limited availability of resources. A large number of important places of Buddhist interest are connected by Rail.

(b) Does not arise.

(c) Although Kusinagar is not directly connected with rail, it is near by district headquarters Padrauna (approximately 25 km from Kushinagar), Deoria (approximately 25 kms from Kushinagar) and Gorakhpur (approximately 60 km from Kushinagar) are directly connected with rail. These stations i.e. Padrauna, Gorakhpur Deoria are well connected with Kushinagar by road. A survey for a new BG line from Deoria to Padrauna via Kushinagar has been sanctioned in the current financial year. A decision on the line will be taken after the survey is completed.

Vacant DDA Flats

3303. DR. MADAN PRASAD JAISWAL : Will the Minister of URBAN AFFAIRS AND EMPLOYMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the number of D.D.A. flats are remained vacant for want of basic amenities;

(b) the time since when these flats are remained vacant, type-wise, location wise;

(c) the amount of loss suffered by D.D.A. as a result thereof ; and

(d) the time by which the Government is likely to provide the basic amenities in these flats ?

THE MINISTER OF URBAN AFFAIRS AND EMPLOY-MENT (SHRI RAM JETHMALANI) : (a) and (b) DDA has reported that 16,219 flats under various categories have been constructed which are lying vacant for want of electricity. The details of these flats type-wise, location-wise and the time since when lying vacant are given in the enclosed statement.

(c) The flats are allotted at the cost prevailing at the time of issue of demand letter.

(d) The target dates by which the power is likely to be made available as given by DVB has been indicated in the statement against each scheme. Regular coordination meeting are held by DDA at various levels with all concerned agencies for provision of basic amenities in these flats. However in the absence of water supply and sewerage services by the MCD, interim arrangements are made by DDA through tubewells for water supply and through Oxidation ponds for sewerage disposal.

Statement

S.N	o. Name of Scheme	SFS	MIG	LIG	Janta	Total No. of	Lying Vacant	Details of	Fresh Tar- gets given
					•	flats	since when	services not available	in the last meeting held on 13.6.98 & 30.6.98 with Member Technical (D.V.B.)
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
1.	MIG Flat at Kondli Gharoli	-	176	•	-	176	6/95	Power not available	10.7. 98
		-	192	-	-	192	3/95	-do-	-do-
			128	-	-	128	3/95	-do-	-do-
			120	-	-	120	8/96	-do-	-do-
			180	-	-	180	8/96	-do-	-do-
			152	-	-	152	8/96	-do-	-do-
		-	176	-	-	176	8.96	-do-	- d o-
2.	189 SFS at Ghazipur	101		-	-	101	6/96	do-	31.7.98
	•	88	-	•	-	88	12/96	-do-	-do-
3.	MIG/LIG Houses at Mayur Vihar Pkt. IV, Phase I	-	124	•	124	248	3/96	-do-	30.6.98 (in Progress)

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1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
4.	Near Pearaghari (i)	177			-	177	3/97	-do-	31.7.98
5.	(ii) Rohini Ph. III	-	148	-	-	148	12/96	-do-	-do-
•.	Sector 21, Pkt.4	-		240	•	240	6/95	-do-	8/98
6.	Rohini Ph. III sector 22, Pkt. 12	-	-	176	-	176	6/95	Power no available	
7.	Rohini Ph.III Sector, 22 Pkt. 16	-	÷	136	-	136	3/95	-do-	-do-
B .	Rohini Ph. III Sector 22, Pkt 16A	-	-	136	÷	136	3/95	-do-	-do-
9.	Rohini Ph. III Sector 22, Pkt. 17	-	•	136	•	136	3/95	-do-	-do-
10.	Rohini Ph. III Sector 22, Pkt. 15		•	176	-	176	6/95	-do-	15.10. 98
11.	Rohini Ph. III Sector, 23. Pkt. I	-	288		-	288	3/95	-do-	15.11.98
12.	Rehini Ph. III Sector 23, Pkt. 2	-	288			288	3/95	-do-	-do-
	Rohini Ph. III Sector, 24, Pkt. 4	-	225	-	-	225	3/95	-do-	Target not given by DVE likely to be completed by 1/99
14.	Rohini Ph.III Sector 24, Pkt. 24	-	288		-	288	3/95	-do-	-do-
15.	Rohini Ph. III Sector 24, Pkt. 23		270			270	3/95	-do-	-do-
16.	Rohini Ph. III Sector-24, Pkt.1			176	-	176	6/95	-do-	31.10.98
17.	Rohini Ph. III Sector 24, Pkt. 10			176	-	176	6/95	-do-	30.11.98
18.	Rohini Ph. III Sector 24, Pkt. 13	-	•	176		176	3/95	-do-	-do-
9.	Rohini Ph. III Sector 24, Pkt. 25	-	-	176		176	3/95	-do-	-do-
20.	Rohini Ph. Ili Sector, 24, Pkt, 26	-	-	292		292	3/95	-do-	-do-
21.	Rohini Ph. III Sector 25, Pkt. 8-9	-		250		250	3/95		Target not given by DVB likely to be completed by 2/99.

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
22.	Rohini Ph. III Sector 25, Pkt.1			282	-	.282	3/95	-do-	-do-
i)	Rohini Ph. III Sector 23, Pkt. 3	-	288	-	-	288	3/95	Power not available	15.11.98
iii)	Rohini Ph.III Sector 21, Pkt. 7	-	270		-	270	4/96	-do-	11/98
iii)	Rohini Ph. III Sector 24, Pkt. 4	•	45		-	45	4/96	-do-	Target not given by DVE likely to be completed by 1/99.
23.	Rohini Sec. 23, Pkt. 6	288	-	•	-	288	12/96	-do-	31.8.98
24.	Rohini Sec. 23, Pkt 7	144	-	-	-	144	3/97	-do-	-do-
25.	Seikh Sarai	104	•	•	•	104	3/97	-do-	Target not given by DVB.
26 .	Dwarka Ph. i Nasirpur Pkt. 9		-	68	174	242	3/95	-do-	30.9.98
2 7.	Dwarka Nasirpur Pkt. 6	-	246	82	-	328	3/96	-do-	11/98
28 .	Sec. 11 Dwarka of 167 M	IG -	144	-	-	144	3/97	-do-	15.8.98
29 .	Sec.11 Pkt. 2 Dwarka	-	198	-	•	198	12/96	-do-	10/ 98
30 .	Sec.11 Pkt. 3 Dwarka	-	198		-	198	, 12/96	-do-	15.7.98
31.	Sec. 6 Pkt 1 Dwarka	212		-	•	212	12/96	-do-	10/98
32.	Sec. Pkt. Dwarka of 312 SFS	136	-		-	136	12/96	-do-	15.9.98
33.	Sec. 4 Pkt. MLU	228	•	-	-	228	12/96	-do-	11/98
34.	Sec. 5 Pkt. MLU	167	•	-	•	167	12/96	-do-	10/98
35.	Sect. 5 Pkt. MLU	197	-	-	•	197	12/96	-do-	10/98
36.	Pkt 6 Nasirpur Dwarka	-	184	-	•	184	12/96	Power not	9/98
37.	Sector 13 Dwarka	-	628	-	-	628	12/96	available -do-	10/98
38 .	Sector 14 Dwarka	-	360	-	•	360	12/96	-do-	11/98
39 .	Sector 17, Dwarka	-	292	-	•	292	12/96	- d o-	12/98
40 .	Sector 3, Dwarka	-	456	152	-	608	3/97	-do-	11/98
41.	Sector 7 Dwarka	182	-	-	•	182	3/97	do-	11/98
42.	Sector 12, of 151 SFS and 182 MIG	-	182	-	-	182	3/97	-do-	10/98

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1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
43.	Sec. 13, Dwarka of 486 MIG and 223 LIG	176	126	224	-	526	3/97	-do-	7/98
44.	Sec. 22 Dwarka of 424 SFS	672	-	-		672	3/97	-do-	25.6.98
45.	Todapur	-			56	56	[`] 3/98	-do-	Target not given by DVE likely to be completed by 12/98.
16 .	Jasola	752				752	3/96	-do-	Target not given by DVE likely to be completed by 3/98.
47.	Sample House at Vasant Kunj	6		6		12	3/98	-do-	Target not given by DVB likely to be completed by 10/98.
48 .	Shalimar Bagh Pkt. A Block-D	200		-	-	200	3/98	-do-	Target not given by DVB likely to be completed by 8/99.
19 .	Narela Sec. B4 Pkt. 3	-	-	-	512	512	3/98	-do-	-do-
60 .	Narela Sec. B4 Pkt. 9			-	280	280	3/98	Power not available	Target not given by DVB likely to be completed by 8/99.
51.	Mayur Vihar Pkt. 4	-	20	20		40	3/98	-do-	Target not given by DVB likely to be completed by 12/98.
	Dwarka Sec. 14 Pkt. B	-	-	864		864	3/98	-do-	Target not given by DVB likely to be completed by 3/99.
b)	Sector 12	151		•		151	3/98	-do-	10/ 98
c)	Sec. 9 (out of 468)	164	-			164	3/98	-do-	Target not given by DVB likely to be completed by 12/98.

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1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
(d)	Sector Pkt.	176	•	-	-	176	3/98	-do-	15.9.98
(0)	Sec. 9 (Out of 468)	144	-	·	•	144	3/98	-do-	Target not given by DVB likely to be completed by 12/98.
(f)	Sector, 13	176	-	-	-	176	3/98	-do-	7/98
(g)	Nasirpur Pkt. 6	-	96		-	96	<u>3</u> /98	-do-	Target not given by DVB likely to be completed by 12/98.
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[English]

[Translation]

Rail Link from Diphu to Karong

3304. SHRI TH. CHAOBA SINGH : Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state :

(a) whether a Railway link project from Diphu (Assam) to Karong (Manipur) and Imphal has been approved;

(b) if so, the present status of the project;

(c) the funds allocated in the current budget and for the Ninth Five Year Plan; and

(d) the efforts being made for early completion of project ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS, MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PLANNING AND PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTATION (SHRI RAM NAIK) : (a) A project for construction of rail link between Diphu and Karong as the 1st phase of the rail link to Imphal has been approved.

(b) The work is included in the budget and is to be taken up after obtaining the requisite clearances for which action has already been initiated.

(c) Funds can be provided only after the clearances have been received.

(d) Efforts will be made to obtain more resources from the Planning Commission and to allocate the same to this project for satisfactorily progressing this project once the clearances become available and the work can be taken up.

Removal of Railway Track

3305. SHRI GAURI SHANKAR CHATURBHUJ BISEN: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state :

(a) whether there is a proposal to remove Sanbgi to Katangjhari in Balaghat (Madhya Pradesh) railway track which is presently not being used for a long time;

(b) if so, whether tenders for removing the above rail track have been invited; and

(c) the time by which the above track is likely to be removed ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS, MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PLANNING AND PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTATION (SHRI RAM NAIK) : (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) and (c) No tender has been called, nor any timebound frame-work for dismantling decided.

[English]

Iron Ore Reserves

3306. SHRI ANANT KUMAR HEGDE : SHRI A. GANESHMURTHI : SHRI VAIKO :

Will the Minister of STEEL AND MINES be pleased to state :

(a) whether the Government have concluded any survey for exploration of iron ore reserves in the country;