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(d)	Sector I Pkt. I	176	-	-	-	176	3/98	-do-	15.9.98
(e)	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	3/98	-do-	Target not given by DVB likely to be completed by 12/98.
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*[English]***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.

*[Translation]***Removal of Railway Track**

3305. SHRI GAURI SHANKAR CHATURBHUI 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 time-bound 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;