

(a) whether the Government have received the survey report of new railway line between Barwadih and Chirimiri/Peermiti;

(b) if so, the action taken by the Government in the matter; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefore?

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) No, Sir.

(b) and (c) The Survey for a New Broad Gauge Line between Barwadih and Chirimiri is in progress and expected to be completed by 30.6.1999. Further consideration on the Project will be possible once the Survey Report becomes available.

[English]

Construction of Over Bridges at Railway Stations in Bihar

1892. SHRI BIJOY KUMAR 'BIJOY' :
SHRI SHAKUNI CHOUDHARY :

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state :

(a) the details of the proposals sent by the Government of Bihar for construction of road over-bridges;

(b) the action taken by the Union Government thereon;

(c) the present position of road over-bridges under construction in Bihar;

(d) the time by which these bridges are likely to be constructed;

(e) whether there is any proposal to construct road over bridges at Jumai, Beryarpur and Purav Sarai railway stations in Munger and at Chukat (Mansi); and

(f) if so, the details thereof?

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. these are at :

1. Bihita
2. Gaya

3. Pakur

4. Sonnagar (Bagha-Bishnupur)

5. Dehri-on-Sone

6. Bhagalpur

7. Between Kishanganj-Hatwar Stations on NH. 31

(b) For road over bridges (ROB) in Bihita, Sonnagar, Dehri-on-Sone and Gaya – State Govt. has assigned low priority due to paucity of funds. For ROB at Pakur acceptance of layout plan is still awaited from State Govt. Bhagalpur ROB is under examination for inclusion in the Works Programme of 1999-2000 whereas the work of ROB between stations Kishanganj and Hatwar has been approved during the Works Programme of 1998-99.

(c) Position of ROB under construction in Bihar is as under :

1. Arrah – Railway's portion of work completed in Jan'98.
2. Yarpur – Rly's portion completed in Aug.'89 and one lane on South end approach opened for traffic in Nov'92. Work on 2nd lane has not been started by State Govt.
3. Parasnath – State Govt. has dropped the work from their annual plan.
4. Deedarganj – Estimate for approaches awaited from State Govt. State Govt. is yet to acquire the land. Railway already has invited tenders for bridge proper.
5. Mithapur – General Arrangement Drawing and estimate are being prepared.
6. Fatuha – Work of bridge proper is in progress. State Govt. is yet to acquire land for approaches.
7. Motihari – For Road Over Bridge near Motihari, Railway has completed its portion in 1990 but State Govt. has not taken up the work on approaches so far.
8. Saharsa – Sanctioned in 1997-98. General Arrangement Drawing is being finalised.
9. Chakradharpur – Railway will start work of Bridge proper after adequate progress on approaches is achieved by the State Govt.
10. Chas and Ispatnagar – Diversion on outside Railway land completed. Level Crossing yet to be diverted for taking up work.

11. Kishanganj-Hatwar ROB – Plan under preparation.

(d) Firm schedule cannot be fixed as approaches are to be done by State Govt. However, work of Bridge proper will be completed by Railways simultaneously alongwith the work of approaches.

(e) and (f) Work of ROB at Jamui was sanctioned in 1979-80 but had to be dropped in 1986-87 due to non-acceptance of estimate by State Govt. Regarding Chukti (Mansi) Road Over Bridge the same has been processed for inclusion in the Supplementary Budget of 1998-99.

[Translation]

Allocation for Lalitpur-Singrauli Rail Line

1893. SHRI RAMANAND SINGH : Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state :

(a) whether the Prime Minister has laid the foundation stone of Lalitpur-Singrauli Rail Line on September 20, 1998;

(b) if so, the allocation made during 1998-99 for the said rail line; and

(c) the time fixed for the completion thereof?

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) Rupees one crore.

(c) The target date has not been fixed. The work will be progressed and completed in the coming years as per availability of resources.

[English]

Separate Pool of Accommodation for Secretaries

1894. SHRI SIRIRAM CHAUHAN : Will the Minister of URBAN AFFAIRS AND EMPLOYMENT be pleased to state :

(a) whether the Government have created a separate pool of accommodation for Secretaries to Government and officials of equivalent ranks;

(b) if so, the details thereof, category-wise;

(c) whether the Government have allotted land for a Central Civil Service Institute and Club; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN AFFAIRS AND EMPLOYMENT (SHRI BANDARU DATTATREYA) : (a) and (b) A pool of accommodation consisting of 70 units (10 Type-VIII, 20 Type-VII and 40 Type-VI(B)) has been created for allotment to Secretaries and Secretary level officers. However, at present, the pool consist only of 36 units (3 Type-VIII, 12 Type-VII and 21 Type-VI(B)) and the shortfall would be made up by making allotments to Secretaries/Secretary level officers till the total number of earmarked accommodation in the pool is achieved.

(c) and (d) A plot of land measuring an area of 3.52 acres in Vinay Marg, New Delhi has been allotted on 7.9.98 to the Civil Services Officers Institute for setting up of a Civil Services Officers Club.

Gauge Conversion of Bhuj-Nalla Rail Line

1895. SHRI P.S. GADHAVI : Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state :

(a) whether the gauge conversion of Bhuj-Nalla Section has been sanctioned;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the time by which the said work is likely to be started and completed?

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) to (c) No, Sir. The gauge conversion of Bhuj-Nalla is not yet sanctioned. However, a survey has been taken up for conversion of this line. Further consideration of the project would be possible once the survey report becomes available.

[Translation]

Railway Projects received from Bihar

1896. SHRI RAGHUVANSH PRASAD SINGH :
SHRI RAJO SINGH :

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state :

(a) the details of the railway projects received from Bihar during each of the last three years;

(b) the steps taken on each of the proposals;

(c) the details of the survey undertaken during the said period;