

Bombay Central.
Virar Sector (S.T.)

(2) Minutes of sittings of the Committee relating to the above Report

Virar section (St.)

families of the victims of this accident.

Immediately on receipt of the information, Medical Relief Vans were rushed to the site from Bombay Central and Valsad stations. After rendering medical aid to the injured at the site, they were removed to various hospitals.

The General Manager accompanied by other Heads of Departments rushed to the site

Minister for Railways, accompanied by Member Traffic, Railway Board has flown to the site of accident.

Ex-gratia payment to the next of kin of the dead and to the injured has been arranged.

The Additional Commissioner of Railway Safety, Western Circle, Bombay, will hold his statutory inquiry into this accident

COMMITTEE ON GOVERNMENT ASSURANCES

SECOND REPORT

श्री मृत्युञ्जय प्रसाद (सोवान) . मैं सरकारी घातवासानो मद्दधी समिति का दूसरा प्रतिवेदन प्रस्तुत करता हू ।

12.36 hrs.

STATEMENT re RAILWAY ACCIDENT ON BOMBAY CENTRAL—VIRAR SECTION OF WESTERN RAILWAY ON 18-4-1978

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI SHEO NARAIN): Sir, I regret very much to inform the House that at about 20 07 hours on 18-4-1978, while 537 Down Churchgate-Virar EMU local train was waiting at gate signal of level crossing gate No 36 'B' situated between Naigaon and Vassi Road stations on Bombay Central—Virar mam line automatic double line electrified section on Bombay Division of Western Railway, 7 Down Bombay-Ahmedabad Janata Express came from behind and collided into its rear, resulting in the derailment and telescoping of the two rearmost coaches of the local train.

According to the information so far available, 30 persons have lost their lives and another 60 injured. This House will join me in conveying our heartfelt sympathies to the bereaved

12.40 hrs.

BUSINESS ADVISORY COMMITTEE

THE MINISTER OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS AND LABOUR (SHRI RAVINDRA VARMA): I move the following

"That this House do agree with the Fifteenth Report of the Business Advisory Committee presented to the House on the 18th April, 1978."

MR SPEAKER: Motion Moved:

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SHRI VAYALAR RAVI (Chirayinkil) Sir, will you provide dinner when we have to sit so late?

SHRI HARI VISHNU KAMATH (Hoshangabad): Sir, the Minister of Parliamentary Affairs....