

(d) if so, when the trial run was taken on this line; and

(e) when trains will start running on this track?

**THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI AJAY SINGH):** (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) Rs. 35.9 crores.

(c) and (d). Yes, Sir. The trial was conducted on 25.10.89,

(e) A daily mixed train is proposed to be run on this line on experimental basis, after about two months.

[*Translation*]

**Rail Link to Buddhist Pilgrim Centres**

8771. **SHRI ISHWAR CHAUDHARY:** Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is no direct rail link for ancient Nallanda University, Rajgir Bodhgaya, Gorakhpur, Gorakhpur, Gonda, Sarnath, Kushinagar, Lumbini, Varshavash and Shravasti, the places of Budhist pilgrimage;

(b) if so, whether Government propose to accord sanction for a new railway line for Rajgir, Bodhyaga, Sarnath, Gorakhpur, Kushinagar and Gonda-Shravasti and to double the tracks of Gaya Patna and Gaya Kiul railway lines;

(c) whether Government have received any representations in this regard; and

(d) if so, the details thereof and the action proposed to be taken by Government in the matter?

**THE MINISTER OF INDUSTRY (SHRI AJIT SINGH):** (a) Nalanda, Rahgir, Gorakhpur, Gonda, Sarnath are linked by rail. The other stations are not linked by rail.

(b) No, Sir.

(c) and (d). Representations have been received for extension of Baktiarpur-Rajgir line to Bodhgaya, Deoria-Padrauna link, Sahjanwa-Balrampur-Shravasti new lines and for doubling of Patna-Gaya and Gaya-Kiul lines. Due to constraint of resources there is no proposal at present to take up above works.

[*English*]

**Rail Link to Agartala**

8772. **SHRI K. B. K. DEB BURMAN:** Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have decided to accord high priority to bring Agartala, the capital of Tripura, on the rail map of the country; and

(b) if so, the provision made in this regard under the annual plan for 1990-91?

**THE MINISTER OF INDUSTRY (SHRI AJIT SINGH):** (a) Final Location Survey for extension of Railway line upto Agartala has been taken up.

(b) An amount of Rs. 18 lakhs has been allotted to this survey during 1990-91.

**BG Rail Line Between Manmad and Aurangabad**

8773. **SHRI MORESHWAR SAVE:** Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) the progress made so far in laying

broad gauge line between Manmad and Aurangabad and when it is likely to be completed and commission to traffic;

(b) whether this line is planned to be taken up in phases; and

(c) if so, details thereof and the time schedule for their completion?

**THE MINISTER OF INDUSTRY (SHRI AJITSINGH):** (a) Manmad-Aurangabad, 114 km long section is part of Manmad-Parbhani-Parli Vaijnath, Gauge Conversion Project. Upto 31st March, 90, 62% of work on this section has been completed. Completion will depend upon availability of resources in coming years

(b) Manmad-Aurangabad is proposed to be taken up as Phase-I of the project.

(c) the remaining section will be taken up as Phase-II and its completion will depend on availability of resources in coming years.

#### **Air Linking of additional place in Orissa**

8774. **SHRI D. AMAT:** Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state the number of additional places in Orissa which are proposed to be linked by Air Service during the current year?

**THE MINISTER OF ENERGY AND MINISTER OF CIVIL AVIATION (SHRI ARIF MOHAMMAD KHAN):** (a) There are no plans to airlink any new place in Orissa during the current year.

#### **Allotment of LPG Agencies and Petrol Pumps in Punjab**

8775. **SHRI KIRPAL SINGH:** Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND CHEMICALS be pleased to state:

(a) the number of applicants who applied for L.P.G. agencies and Petrol pumps in Punjab during the last three years;

(b) how many, out of them have been allotted these dealerships so far, district-wise;

(c) the criteria for allotment of these dealerships;

(d) whether some cases of the ex-serviceman and freedom fighters are lying pending with Government;

(e) whether the victims of 1984 riots in Delhi and in other parts of the country have also been considered for allotment of these agencies; and

(f) if so, the action proposed to be taken by Government in this regard?

**MINISTER OF PETROLEUM AND CHEMICALS (SHRI M. S. GURUPADASWAMY):** (a) During the last three years, B LPG distributorships and 21 Retail Outlet (Petrol/Diesel) dealerships were advertised in response to which 484 and 1431 applications were received respectively.

(c) Out of the above, 1 LPG distributorship and 7 Retail Outlet dealerships have been allotted so far at the following locations: LPG Distributorship

1. Kapurthala, District Kapurthala

Retails Outlet Dealership

1. Ropar, District Ropar

2. Kamiana, District Faridkot

3. Bauli, district Amritsar

4. Patiala, District Patiala