

(d) whether the revised project reports submitted to the Central Water Commission in April, 1983 have received the approval of the Government ?

THE MINISTER OF IRRIGATION AND POWER (SHRI B. SHANKARANAND) : (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) No, Sir.

(c) Yes, Sir. In 1982.

(d) No, Sir.

[*Translation*]

Conversion of Moradabad-Ramnagar and Bareilly-Kathgodam Lines

*242. SHRI HARISH RAWAT : Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state :

(a) whether the work of conversion of Moradabad-Ramnagar and Bareilly-Kathgodam railway lines into broad gauge is going on ;

(b) if so, the total amount spent on this work so far ; and

(c) whether the work on these projects would be completed during the Seventh Plan period ?

THE MINISTER OF RAILWAYS (SHRI BANSI LAL) : (a) Work on conversion of Moradabad-Ramnagar is in Progress. No Work has been taken-up on the Bareilly-Kathgodam section except Survey.

(b) and (c). An amount of Rs. 4.23 crores is anticipated to be spent on Moradabad-Ramnagar Gauge Conversion upto, 31.3. '85. Its completion will depend on availability of resources.

[*English*]

Rail Line Between Nadikude to Bibinagar

*136. SHRI N. V. RATNAM : Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state :

(a) when was the railway line between Nadikude in Guntur District to Bibinagar near Hyderabad taken up and the present stage thereof ;

(b) whether the conversion of Nadikude line to broad gauge from Guntur has been taken up and if so, the present stage; and

(c) by what time this railway line is likely to be completed ?

THE MINISTER OF RAILWAYS (SHRI BANSI LAL) : (a) The work was included in the Budget for 1974-75. The 1st Phase of line from Bibinagar to Nalgonda (74 Kms.) was opened to traffic on 27.3.1981. The Second phase of the scheme from Nalgonda to Nadikude (75.4 Kms.) is in progress. The Section from Nalgonda to Miryalguda (37 Kms.) was recently opened on 15.9.1984 for goods traffic. Efforts are now being made to concentrate on opening the next section upto Vishnupur as early as possible subject to availability of funds. The overall progress of the work (Phase-II) is 72.75%.

(b) The conversion of Guntur-Nadikude-Macherla Section from Metre Gauge to Broad (130 Kms.) is an approved on-going project. Work on two bridges has been taken up. The progress on these two bridges is 98%.

(c) The completion of the line will depend on availability of resources in the coming years.

Translation of Books by Indian Council of Historical Research

1292. SHRI G. V. RAMA RAO : Will the Minister of EDUCATION be pleased to state :

(a) whether the Indian Council of Historical Research got several history books translated into Indian languages for the use of students, researchers and staff in the universities and colleges;

(b) how many books have been translated and how many translations published so far; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor ?

THE MINISTER OF EDUCATION (SHRI K.C. PANT) : (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) and (c). 86 books have been got translated into different languages. 340

manuscripts in different languages have been received. Out of these, 59 have already been published and 17 are with the publishers. It has not been possible for the Council to publish all the manuscripts so far since the publishers did not find the proposition attractive. The Council is, however, still negotiating with the private publishers, Government agencies, different Granth Academies and universities for publication of the remaining manuscripts.

Memorandum Submitted by NPCC Contractors' Employees Union

1293. SHRI BAJU BAN RIYAN : Will the Minister of IRRIGATION AND POWER be pleased to state :

(a) whether he has received a memorandum No. BM/02/ACC/85 dated 23rd February, 1985 from NPCC Contractors' Employees Union, Calcutta regarding absorption of some workers of NPCC working in Agartala (Tripura) in regular service since they had suffered injuries while on job; and

(b) if so, what steps Government have taken to absorb these workers ?

THE MINISTER OF IRRIGATION AND POWER (SHRI B. SHANKARANAND) : (a) and (b). NPCC Contractors' Employees Union, Calcutta have submitted a memorandum on behalf of two workers of the sub-contractors of NPCC. As they were not engaged by NPCC but were employees of the sub-contractors, the question of their being offered regular employment in NPCC does not arise.

Facilities to Disabled School Children

1294. SHRI ANANTA PRASAD SETHI : Will the Minister of EDUCATION be pleased to state the number of handicapped children in the Kendriya Schools in Delhi/New Delhi age-wise and the concession or scholarships if any granted to them ?

THE MINISTER OF EDUCATION (SHRI K. C. PANT) : There are 98 handicapped students in the Kendriya Vidyalayas in Delhi/New Delhi. Their age-wise break-up is as under :

6 years	—	13
7 years	—	7
8 years	—	6
9 years	—	5
10 years	—	3
11 years	—	15
12 years	—	12
13 years	—	7
14 years	—	13
15 years	—	6
16 years	—	7
17 years	—	3
18 years	—	1

There is no provision for any special concessions / scholarships / examinations in fee etc. for the handicapped children in the Kendriya Vidyalayas.

Ship Repairing Facilities

1295. SHRI CHINTAMANI JENA:

Will the Minister of SHIPPING AND TRANSPORT be pleased to state :

(a) whether there is no ship repairing yard in the country and a huge amount is being spent every year on the repairing of our ships abroad;

(b) if so, the amount spent abroad on ship repair during the years 1982-83 and 1983-84; and

(c) the details of steps being taken to provide adequate ship repairing facilities in the country in future ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF SHIPPING AND TRANSPORT (SHRI Z. R. ANSARI): (a) There are a number of ship repairing yards/firms in the country. However, the capacities are inadequate, necessitating repair of many ships abroad.

(b) The amount spent on ship repairs abroad is as under :