

1983-84. The length is 87 kms and present day cost is Rs. 75 crores. Expenditure upto 31.3.86 was Rs. 30 lakhs. It has been cleared for construction by Planning Commission in September '86 and work is being taken up. Rs. 1 crore has been provided during 1986-87.

- (iv) *Lakshmikantapur-Namkhana* : A proposal for new line from Budge-Budge to Namkhana including Lakshmikantapur and Kulpi (length 100 kms) was provisionally included in 1981-82 Budget.

The provision made upto 31.3.86 was Rs. 3000 and Rs. 1000 has been provided during 1986-87. It is now proposed to construct only Lakshmikantapur-Namkhana, 47 kms long, for which a survey has been taken up.

- (v) *Howrah-Sheakhala* : The work was included in 1972-73 Railway Budget. The length is 17 Kms and present day cost is Rs. 12 crores. Expenditure upto 31.3.86 is Rs. 3000 and only Rs. 1000 has been provided for 1986-87.

Further progress and completion of these lines will depend on availability of funds in the coming years.

[Translation]

Central takeover of SYL canal

*57. SHRI KALI PRASAD PANDEY :
SHRI P.M. SAYEED :

Will the Minister of WATER RESOURCES be pleased to state :

(a) whether Haryana Government has requested the Union Government to takeover the construction of Sutlej-Yamuna link canal;

(b) if so, the steps so far take by Union Government to ensure that this link canal is completed within a specified time frame say six months;

(c) whether Haryana Government also urged the Union Government to get the damaged portion of the canal bank repaired;

(d) if so, the action taken in this regard; and

(e) the details of the total expenditure incurred on it so far ?

THE MINISTER OF WATER RESOURCES (SHRI B. SHANKARANAND) :

(a) and (b). The Government of Haryana have requested that the construction of the Sutlej Yamuna Link Canal be taken over by the Central Government for its early completion. The progress on the Sutlej Yamuna Link Canal is being monitored by the Ministry of Water Resources and a number of measures have been suggested to the Punjab Government for expediting the work on this canal.

(c) to (e). The canal is still under construction. No damage to the canal bank has been reported and the question of action taken in this regard or expenditure incurred on it does not arise.

[English]

Passenger amenities at railway stations on Kolhapur-Mirage Bombay line

*58. SHRI R. S. MANE : Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state :

(a) whether Government are aware that at railway stations on Kolhapur-Mirage-Bombay railway line, facilities of tea stalls, sheds at platforms, sufficient accommodation for Station Masters, ladies waiting rooms and safaiwalas have not been adequately provided; and

(b) if so, the steps Government propose to take in this regard ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI MADHAVRAO SCINDIA) : (a). The pas-

senger amenities at stations on Bombay VT-Pune-Miraj-Kolhapur section are generally adequate.

(b) Passenger amenities like sheds over platforms, etc. are provided on a programmed basis taking into consideration the availability of funds and comparative needs of various stations.

Payment to U. K. on account of boycott of Commonwealth Games

*59. PROF. RAMKRISHNA MORE :
SHRI MULLAPPALLY
RAMACHANDRAN :

Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state :

(a) whether India has been called upon to pay some amount for having boycotted the Thirteenth Commonwealth Games held in Edinburgh in July, 1986;

(b) if so, the details thereof and the decision taken by the Government in the matter; and

(c) which other Commonwealth Countries having boycotted the games have been asked by the U. K. Government to pay ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENTS OF YOUTH AFFAIRS AND SPORTS AND WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRIMATI MARGARET ALVA) : (a) The Indian Olympic Association has indicated that it has not received any claim in this regard.

(b) Does not arise.

(c) The information sought concerns transactions among foreign Governments and is not available.

[Translation]

Central Schools in Delhi

*60. SHRI BHARAT SINGH : Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state :

(a) the number of Central School in rural Delhi;

(b) whether the children in rural Delhi find it difficult to get admission in Central Schools; and

(c) the number of Central Schools now proposed to be opened in Delhi and the locations thereof ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENTS OF EDUCATION AND CULTURE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRIMATI KRISHNA SAHI) : (a) 6 (Six).

(b) The Central Schools are meant basically to cater either to the wards of transferable central government servants or the children of employees of public sector and other central institutions which provide for full expenditure for these Central Schools. Only a few children of Rural Delhi who apply for admission get it in Kendriya Vidyalayas.

(c) The Kendriya Vidyalaya Sangathan has one proposal for opening a new Kendriya Vidyalaya in Paschim Vihar.

[English]

Central Financial Assistance to Dr. P. V. Maudlik Memorial Hospital

340. PROF. MADHU DANDAVATE : Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state :

(a) whether Government of Maharashtra has already recommended to the Union Health Ministry that Central financial assistance may be given to the 'Dr. P. V. Mandlik' Memorial Hospital' at Oni in the Rajapur Taluka of the Ratnagiri district of the backward Konkan region of Maharashtra under the 'Special Scheme'; and

(b) if so, when the financial Central grant would be given to the hospital in view of its financial difficulties ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH IN