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13	Satkosia Gorge	Dhenkanal, Puri Cutack & Phulbani	795.52	Leopard, Elephant, Wolf
14	Simlipal	Mayurbhanj	2447.00	Tiger, Sloth Bear, Crocodile
15	Sunabeda	Kalahandi	442.13	Wild Buffalo
16	Ushakothi	Sambalpur	285.00	Honey Badger, Elephant

#### **Replacement of Old Coaches in N.E. Region**

\*301. SHRI PARAG CHALIHA: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state

(a) whether Government have received complaints to the effect that old and outdated coaches have been provided for use in the railways of the North Eastern Region; and

(b) if so, the steps, if any, taken to replace these with new presentable coaches?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI MADHAVRAO SCINDIA): (a) Some complaints have been received about the condition of coaches plying in the North Eastern Region.

(b) Replacement of coaches is arranged on age cum condition basis. There is an overall shortage in manufacturing capacity of coaches. Efforts are being made to augment the capacity.

#### **Purchase of Railway Equipments from USSR**

\*302. SHRI KAMAL NATH: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are considering a proposal to buy certain types of railway equipments including heavy duty electric locomotives and substantial quantity of railway tracks from the USSR; and

(b) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI MADHAVRAO SCINDIA): (a) and (b), Heavy duty electric locomotives and rails have been identified amongst the possible areas of purchase or technical cooperation between India and USSR. However discussions in this regard are at a very preliminary stage.

#### **Import Decanalisation of some Items**

\*303 SHRI C. MADHAV REDDI: Will the Minister of STEEL AND MINES be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is any proposal under consideration of Government to transfer some steel items, hot rolled coils and cold rolled sheets to the Steel Authority of India Limited (SAIL) which were being imported by the Minerals and Metals Trading Corporation of India Ltd. (MMTC); and

(b) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STEEL AND MINES (SHRI M.L. FOTEDAR): (a) and (b), A proposal has been received from SAIL for allowing SAIL to import certain items, presently canalised through MMTC, including Hot Rolled Coils and Cold Rolled Sheets, to enable SAIL to meet the full demand of consumers for these items.

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\*304. SHRI VIRDHI CHANADER JAIN: