

(d) when the constraints will be removed; and

(e) when the proposed fast boat service along the Konkan Coast is expected to commence its operation?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SURFACE TRANSPORT (SHRI RAJESH PILOT): (a) Proposal of the Company for the acquisition of two vessels for the purpose has been cleared by Government subject to their fulfilling certain prescribed conditions.

(b) to (e), The Company has not complied with the stipulated conditions so far. The proposed service can commence operation only after conditions stipulated by the Government are fully complied with by the Company.

[*Translation*]

Improvement in Conditions of Trains Running in Bihar

*405. SHRIMATI MANORAMA SINGH: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are aware that the condition of the trains running in Bihar is very bad and these trains neither have bogies in ratio to the number of passengers nor these are cleaned properly;

(b) whether Government are also aware that a number of trains particularly the trains connecting South Bihar do not have air-conditioned bogies in sufficient number; and

(c) if so, the steps being taken by Government to bring about improvement?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI

MADHAVRAO SCINDIA): (a) On certain trains and routes in Bihar, as also in other States, there is some overcrowding. Indian Railways constantly endeavour to improve the condition of trains and ensure cleanliness of coaches.

(b) There are 33 pairs of Mail/Express Trains serving Bihar which have A.C. coaches including 11 pairs serving South Bihar area.

(c) Steps are being taken to increase the manufacturing capacity of coaches including A.C. Coaches.

[*English*]

Schools Covered under Computer Literacy Programme

*406. SHRI PARASRAM BHARDWAJ: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is any proposal under consideration of Government to cover more and more schools under the Computer Literacy Programme by the end of the Seventh Five Year Plan;

(b) if so, the number of schools to be covered under the Programme in the last two years of the Seventh Plan; and

(c) the number of computers provided to schools in the State of Madhya Pradesh during 1986-87?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION AND CULTURE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRIMATI KRISHNA SAH): (a) to (c). The Pilot Project phase of the programme for Computer Literacy and Studies in Schools (CLASS) has been completed. The Project envisaged provision of two micro-computers to each