gested, I will examine the other part of the question. (Interruptions)

PROF. P. J. KURIEN: Sir, I sincerely thank the Minister for the assurance which he has given. I am more happy because the Minister is reputed for keeping up his assurance. I know he will implement. Sir, he has got a very good name in the country because he is known that he will implement whatever assurance he has given. So, I once again thank him. I want to ask about Jammu Kanya Kumari train, When introduced, would it be bi-weekly, daily or weekly? Even if it is weekly, I would request you that this should be double headed train with 21 coaches so that maximum number of passengers can be accommodated.

SHRI A. B. A. GHANI KHAN CHOUDHURY: The details are to be worked out by the exports. I have just said that this decisions to introduce this train weekly has been taken in the Board. I have told them to do it. I think they will do it.

We have to watch and see how this frequency works. At the moment, I cannot say whether we can run it three days a week. One day a week, I have decided. About the rest, we will work out in due course.

SHRI M. RAMANNA RAI: Kerala Express is presumed to be starting from Trivandrum and Mangalore, This Kerala express starts one part from Mangalore and another from Trivandrum. Actually, only one first class and two second class bogies go to Mangalore. But we should remember that this Kerala Express is expected to benefit 50% of travelling public of Southern Kerala and 50% of Malabar and Mangalore area. There are two A, C, compartments, Both A. C. compartment go to Trivandrum. are a number of catering sections. The entire catering section goes to Trivandrum. Only one first class and two second class bogies go to Mangalore. This train actually is intended to serve both Malabar area and South Canara District of

Karnataka also. I want to know from the hon. Minister whether one second class A.C. will be diverted to Mangalore also? Will the Minister consider sending the catering bogie also towards Mangalore? Otherwise, this train will be helping only a part of Kerala and not Malabar area and South Canara. Will the Minister consider this?

MR. SPEAKER: This is a suggestion. He will consider it.

SHRI A. B. A. GHANI KHAN CHOUDHURY: I will consider this suggestion.

266 ग्रप ग्रीर 265 डाउन जोषपुर-भिलड़ी एक्सप्रेस को ग्रहम-दाबाद तक बढ़ाना

*828. श्री विरदा राम फुलवारिया: क्या रेल मंत्री यह बताने की क्रुपा करेंगे कि:

- (क) क्या यह सच है कि जोधपुर-जयपुर मरूधर एक्सप्रोस को सीधे लखनऊ तक बढ़ादियागयाहै;
- (ख) क्या इसी प्रकार दिल्ली-जयपुर पिंक सिटी एक्सप्रेंस को सीधे उदयपुर तक बढ़ा दिया गया है;
- (ग) क्या 266 अप श्रीर 265 डाउन जोधपुर भिलड़ी एक्सप्रेस को सीधे अहम-दाबाद तक नहीं बढ़ाया जा रहा है जिसके कारण वहां से दक्षिण की श्रोर आने-जाने वाले ब्यापारियों और श्रमिकों को कठिनाई होती है;
- (घ) यदि हां, तो क्या सरकार का विचार 266 अप और 265 डाउन रेलगाड़ी को सीधे श्रहमदाबाद तक बढ़ाने का है; और

(ङ) यदि हां, तो तत्संबंधी ब्यौरा क्या है और यदि नहीं, तो इसके क्या कारण हैं ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI C. K. JAFFER SHARIEF): (a) to (e) A statement is laid on the Table of the Sabha.

Statement

- · (a) Yes, Sir.
- (b) Only a part of the Pink City Express consisting of 8 coaches known as Garib Nawaz Express has been extended to Udaipur on 3 days in a week.
- (c) Already 7 coaches from Jodhpur are extended to Ahmedabad by Bhuj-Ahmedabad Fast passenger.
- (d) No, Sir.
- (e) It is operationally and feasible to run an additional train upto Ahmedabad.

भी विरदाराम फुलवारिया: अध्यक्ष महोदय, पिछले चार सालों से मैं लगातार कोशिश कर रहा हं कि जौधपर-भिलड़ी एक्सप्रेस को अहमदाबाद तक बढाया जाय। इस समय स्थिति यह है कि जोधपुर-भिलडी एक्सप्रीस के सात डिब्बे भिलडी स्टेशन पर भुज-अहमदाबाद गाड़ी में जोड़े जाते हैं, जिससे यात्रियों की बहत कठिनाई होती है। उन को बहुत समय तक वहां पडे रहना पड़ता है। अहमदाबाद से बाड़-मेर. जैसलमेर, जालीर सब के संबंध हैं। बहत बड़ी संख्या में व्यापारी श्रीर मजदूर अहमदाबाद जाते हैं लेकिन गाडी की सीधी व्यवस्था न होने से उन को बहुत कठिनाई होती है। अहमदाबाद में एक-एक सीट के लिये 10-10 और 15-15 रुपया अलग से देना पडता है। क्या आप जोधपुर-भिलड़ी एक्सप्रेस की ग्रहमदाबाद तक बढाने की कपा करेंगे?

THE MINISTER OF RAILWAYS (SHRI A. B. A. GHANI KHAN CHOUDHURY): Well, Mr. Speaker Sir, from 1-4-1983, a superfast train has been introduced between Jodhpur and Ahmedabad. This has been added to the availability of train accommodation between these two stations.

Apart from what the hon. Member has claimed, No. 265/266 Jodhpur Bhildi Express terminates at Bhildi and 7 coaches—one First Class and 6 Second class—are transferred to Bhuj-Ahmedabad Fast Passenger to run upto Ahmedabad. Now, I would certainly examine this At the present moment, you see the situation is quite good. But if they require more trains, we will certainly look into this.

श्री वृद्धि चन्द्र जैन : ग्रध्यक्ष महोदय, जोधपर से भीलडी एक्सप्रेंस ट्रेन है और उसको एक्सटेंड करने के लिए सुभाव प्रस्तृत किया है। कठिनाई यह है कि भीलड़ी में भज की अलग फास्ट ट्रेन ग्राती है और दोनों टेनें मिलकर फिर ग्रहमदाबाद पहुंचती हैं। हम यह चाहते हैं कि सीधा संबंध हो क्योंकि अहमदाबाद से बाड़मेर, जेसलमेर, जोधपुर और जालोर, इन सब का संबंध है और वहां के व्यापारी, मजदूर वगैरह सब आते-जाते हैं श्रीर उनको बड़ी कठिनाई उठानी पडती है ! इसलिए हम यह आश्वा-सन चाहते हैं और बार-बार मैंने इस प्रश्न को उठाया है लेकिन कोई सेटिसफैक्टरी रिप्लाई नहीं मिला है । इसमें कोई कठिनाई नहीं है क्योंकि कोई नई ट्रेन चलाने की अ। वश्यकता नहीं है बल्कि जो आलरेडी टेन है, उसमें और कोचेज जोड़ने की आवश्य-कता है। इस संबंध में आप क्या कदम उठाएंगे ?

SHRI A B A. GHANI KHAN CHOU-DHURY: Mr. Speaker, Sir, as I said, I will examine this. This is for the experts to examine and reply this.

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श्री मोती भाई पार० चौधरी: मैं यह कहना चाहता हं कि व्यवहारिक रूप में यह देन चलाना अनुकुल नहीं है लेकिन मैं एक सुभाव दे रहा हं भीर वह यह है कि कासा से भोलडी का 20 किलोमीटर का रास्ता है और भीलड़ी से पाटन होकर ग्रहमदाबाद जा सकते हैं और डिफेंस के प्वाइंट आफ व्यु से भी यह ठीक रहेगा। 20 किलोमीटर का रास्ता बनाने की आवश्यकता है और कई साल पहले इसका सर्वे भी हो चका है। एक छोटी सी लिंक लाइन बनाने से ये दोनों काम परे हो जाएंगे और इस बारे में हम मंत्री जी का आश्वासन चाहते हैं।

SHRI A.B.A. GHANI KHAN CHOU-DHURY: Mr. Speaker, Sir, it is not possible for me to say, at the present moment.

> Superfast trains hauled by Engines having Air Brakes and their speed

SHRI SURAJ BHAN: *829 SHRI ATAL BIHARI **VAJPAYEE:**

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to states:

- (a) which superfast trains are hauled by engines having air brakes;
- (b) for what speed such superfast trains with 18 coaches have been cleared by the Railway Safety Commission.
- (c) what is the actual speed of each such superfast train;
- (d) whether the speed of Superfast trains was reduced at some time, if so, when;
- (e) by when all superfast trains will be fitted with air brakes; and
 - (f) what is the latest position about

importing of 20 high power electrical locos?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI C. K. JAFFER SHARIEF): (a) to (f) A statement is laid on the Table of the Sabha.

Statement

- (a) Howrah-New Delhi and Bombay-New Delhi Rajdhani Expresses are hauled by engines having air brakes.
- (b) In the case of Bombay-New Delhi Rajdhani the maximum speed cleared is 120 kmph. In the case of Howrah-New Delhi Rajdhani the maximum speed cleared is 110 kmph.
- (c) In the case of Howrah-New Delhi Rajdhani the train is booked at speeds varying between 60 kmph and 105 kmph. In the case of Bombay-New Delhi Rajdhani the train is booked at speeds varying between 70 kmph and 115 kmph. This is subject to observance of permanent and temporary speed restrictions imposed from time to time,
- (d) Yes, Sir. In the case of Howrah Rajdhani the speed was reduced from 16-3-1981. In the case of Bombay Rajdhani, it was reduced from 1-4-1981.
- (e) Due to constraint of funds, as and when adequate resources become available it will be possible to fit more superfast trains with air brake.
- (f) The effors received from the overseas firms are under technical and commercial evaluation.

AN HON. MEMBER: Sir. CPM is after Shri Vajpayee.

SHRI ATAL BIHARI VAJPAYEE: They are behind me, Sir.

SHRI KRISHNA CHANDRA HAL-DER: It is because, I want to put some supplementary.