public are not put to inconvenience.

## Exclusive terminal for South Eastern Railway at Howrah Station

- 69. SHRI NIREN GHOSH: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:
- (a) whether there is any proposal for the South Eastern Railway to have an exclusive terminal of its own which it now shares with the Eastern Railway Howrah Station; and
  - (b) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI C. K. JAFFER SHARIEF): (a) and (b) Sir, the question of having a separate Coaching Terminal on the South Eastern Railway in Calcutta area has been under consideration. A Task Force consisting of representatives of various interests, including the Government of West Bengal has since been formed to examine the question and to furnish a report. Further details about the arrangement will be available only after the receipt of the report of the Task Force.

## Subjects discussed at the meeting of non-aligned coordinating bureau

- \*70. SHRI MADHAVRAO SCINDIA: Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AF-FAIRS be pleased to state:
- (a) whether it is a fact that the coordinating bureau of non-aligned countries in their plenary meeting held in Managua in second week of January expressed grave concern at the rising trend of the attempts made by big powers in recent times to destabilise and exploit countries in the Latin American region;
- (b) if so, whether this came in the contex of the concern expressed by Nicaraguan and other Latin American leaders against what they called "aggressive policies" of the USA against these countries;
- (c) what specific acts on the part of the USA and other big powers aimed 3240 LS-2

- at causing, tension and destabilisation in the region were highlighted at the conference; and
- (d) what is Government's reaction thereto?

THE MINISTER OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI P. V. NARASIMHA RAO): (a) and (b) the Ministerial meeting of the Coordinating Bureau held in Managua from January 10 to 14, 1983, Nicaragua and other Latin American leaders had expressed concern at what they described as the "aggressive policy" of the USA against these countries. The draft communique proposed by Nicaragua also described the situation in Latin American region as having been aggravated by the intensification of imperialist interference in the internal affairs of the States of the region.

- (c) The final communique adopted at Managua refers to the therats and acts of aggression against Nicaragua, the financing of undercover the use of U.S. territory and that of Nicaragua's neighbours for training counter-revolutionary forces and violation of Nicaragua's airspace and territorial waters by U.S. planes and ships all of which has resulted terrorist actions, armed attacks, the blowing up of bridges and other acts of sabotage aimed at overthrowing the revolutionary government, taking toll of more than 400 Nicaraguas killed, wounded and/or kidnapped since 1979, in addition to causing heavy material damage to the economy.
- (d) The communique, which is based on the draft presented by Nicaragua was adopted by consensus. The Indian delegation was party to that consensus.

## Conversion of metre gauge suburban system between Madras Beach and Tambaram

- \*71. SHRI ERA ANBARASU: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:
- (a) whether the proposal for conversion of Metre Gauge suburban sys-