

समय को कम करने के लिए प्रयास किए जाते हैं। बिना टिकट यात्रा की रोक-थाम के लिए आंच के काम में तेजी लायी गई है।

from Trivandrum to Bombay to meet the high number of passengers; and

(b) if so whether Government propose to start daily Express train service between Bombay and Trivandrum?

#### Train service between Bombay and Trivandrum

\*528. SHRI K. A. RAJAN : Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state :

(a) whether Government are aware that there is lack of train facilities

THE MINISTER OF RAILWAYS (PROF. MADHU DANDAVATE) : (a) and (b). At present, No. 81/82 Bombay-Ernakulam/Mangalore bi-weekly Jayanti Janata Express provides convenient connections at Ernakulam for travelling between Bombay VT and Trivandrum Central as indicated below :—

No. 81 Jayanti Janata Express		No. 82 Jayanti Janata Express	
15.55	D. Bombay VT	A.	04.25
06.10	A. Ernakulam	D.	10.35
No. 19 Madras-Trivandrum Mail		No. 374 Trivandrum-Ernakulam Venad Express	
7.45	D. Ernakulam	A.	10.00
12.00	A. Trivandrum	D.	06.00

In addition, one I class and one II class 3-tier sleeper coaches are also running between Dadar and Trivandrum Central by 11/12 Dadar-Madras Express and connected trains.

In response to the persistent demand from the public, it has been decided to increase the frequency of 81/82 Bombay-Ernakulam/Mangalore Jayanti Janata Express from bi-weekly to a daily service with effect from 1-10-1977.

THE MINISTER OF PETROLEUM AND CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS (SHRI H. N. BAHUGUNA) : (a) during the years 1977-78 and 1978-79, the ONGC plan to drill new exploratory locations at Rupwadi, Jotana, Umra, Dahej, Amod, South Dadar, Malpur, South Malpur, Sarban, Matar, Asrel, Warason, Khwao, Linch and Mehsera Horst. Locations at Arrey, Sultri, and Rajkot are also under consideration for drilling during these years.

(b) ONGC will undertake this work of drilling operations on its own without any collaboration with any other Indian or foreign party.

(c) Does not arise.

#### New Areas for Oil Drilling in Gujarat

\*529. SHRI AHMED M. PATIL : Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS be pleased to state :

(a) the new areas selected for oil drilling during the next two years in the Gujarat State;

(b) the parties in collaboration with whom work will be undertaken; and

(c) the terms and conditions of the collaboration?

#### Train Derailment on Sabarmati Botad Line

\*530. SHRI PRASANNBHAI MEHTA : Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state :

(a) whether 14 wagons of a goods train derailed on the Sabarmati-Botad line of the Western Railway on 20th June, 1977, in Ahmedabad;