

(a) whether some trains between Bangalore and Mysore were cancelled recently; and

(b) if so, the names of those trains and the reasons for their cancellation?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI MALIKARJUN): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) Due to gauge conversion works, 6205 Tippu Express and 6212 Nandi Express have been cancelled fully and the run of 231/232, 229/234 and 233/230 passengers curtailed.

#### **Anganwadi Workers in ICDS project in Andhra Pradesh**

1853 SHRI M.V.V.S MURTHY: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the details of the total 'Anganwadi' workers working under Integrated Child Development Services (ICDS) programmes in Andhra Pradesh;

(b) their service conditions, salaries and other amenities provided to them; and

(c) whether there is any proposal to extend/increase the Anganwadis service in that State?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENTS OF YOUTH AFFAIRS AND SPORTS AND THE DEPARTMENT OF WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT (KUMARI MAMATA BANERJEE): (a) The total number of Anganwadi Workers sanctioned in the ICDS programme in Andhra Pradesh is 21879. In addition, 21879 helpers are also sanctioned. Out of these, 850 Anganwadi Workers and 850 Helpers are in the State

Sector ICDS while the rest are in the Central Sector ICDS.

(b) Anganwadi Workers are voluntary part-time workers getting a monthly honorarium ranging from Rs. 225.00 to Rs. 325.00 depending upon their experience and educational level. The helpers are also honorary workers and are paid honorarium of Rs. 110.00 per month.

Instructions have also been issued to the effect that the State Government may consider suitable recruitment rules wherein qualified Anganwadi Workers can be considered for appointment as Supervisors.

*Leave:* Anganwadi Workers and Helpers are permitted to take 20 days of annual leave 10 days at a time for attending to private affairs and during illness. They are further allowed paid absence for maternity or in the even of abortion/miscarriage after completing tenure of one year.

T.A. TA/DA can be paid from the ICDS budget to the Anganwadi Workers and Helpers for attending monthly meetings or short term reorientation/training courses according to laid down norms.

(c) In Andhra Pradesh, a World Bank assisted ICDS programme is under implementation under which 110 Blocks are to be covered. Out of these 87 blocks have already been sanctioned. This programme has additional components such as scheme of Adolescent Girls, Women Integrated Learning for Life (WILL), Mobilization and Income Generating Programme for Women, Nutrition Rehabilitation Centres and Improved Communication.

#### **Upgradation of wait listed status of India Airlines tickets**

1854. SHRI SOMJIBHAI DAMOR: Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM be pleased to state: