(b) when the said project has been undertaken and when it is likely to be completed as per original schedule;

(c) whether the schedule is being kept-up, if not, what are the reasons; and

(d) when would the said project now to be completed?

THE MINISTER OF RAILWAYS (PROF. MADHU DANDAVATE): (a) Earth work and bridges are in progress. The overall progress is 32 per cent.

(b) The project was started in March 1973. As per the original schedule, the work was to be completed by 1st June, 1976.

(c) It has not been possible to keep to the schedule due to paucity of funds.

(d) The project is targetted for completion by March, 1980.

कांसा ग्रौर भीलडी के बीच रेलवे लाइन का बिछाया जाना

2572. श्री मोतीभाई पर्दत्या रेल मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) कांसा-भीलड़ी रेलवे लाइन बिछाने के कार्य में कितनी प्रगति हई है ;

(खं) इसका सर्वेक्षण कार्य कव पूरा हम्राया ; ग्रीर

(ग) यह कार्य कब तक पूरा हो जायेगा ?

रेल मंत्री (प्रो॰ मधु बण्डवते) : (क) से (ग). सम्भवत: माननीय सदस्य का ब्राशय भिलडी कोसा रोड लाइन से है। भिल्डी से कोसा रोड तक रेल लाइन बिछाने के लिये कोई सर्वेक्षण नहीं किया गया है ग्रीर निर्माण के लिए इस परियोजना का ग्रनुमोदन नहीं किया गया है ।

Victimisation of Parcel Porters at Allahabad Railway Station

2573. SHRI JAGDAMBI PRASAD YADAV: Will the Minister of RAIL-WAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether memorandum dated 14th October, 1976 and 11th November, 1976 complaining victimisation of parcel porters working at Allahabad Railway Station under the Railway Station Porters' Cooperative Labour Contract Society, Limited. Allahabad were received in his Ministry; and

(b) if so, whether any action was initiated for redressal of grievances of parcel porters?

THE MINISTER OF RAILWAYS (PROF. MADHU DANDAVATE): (a) Yes.

(b) The Society has been taken up for its failure and the matter is under further examination of the Administration.

Goods handling contracts

2574. SHRI JAGDAMI PRASAD YADAV: Will the Minister of RAIL-WAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether goods handling contracts are awarded to Labour Cooperative Societies on piece rate basis and such rates are being fixed by the Committee of three gazetted officers;

(b) whether any yardstick has been fixed by the Railway Board for observance by the Committee to enable workable and reasonable rates being fixed for, each individual operation of the schedule;