

and Maulana Azad College of Technology, Bhopal. They are under different stages of consideration by the All India Council for Technical Education and the Ministry.

[Translation]

**Representation for Attaching two
Calcutta Bound Bogies at Kota
with Awadh Express**

3512. SHRI SHANTI KUMAR DHARIWAL : Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state :

(a) whether Government have received any representation to attach two Calcutta bound bogies at Kota with the Awadh Express running between Kota and Kanpur :

(b) if so, the details of the action taken by Government in this regard so far ; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor ?

THE MINISTER OF RAILWAYS (SHRI BANSI LAL) : (a) to (c) Demands for running a through coach between Kota and Howrah has been examined, but found neither commercially justified nor operationally feasible.

[English]

**Encroachments on Public Land Along
National Highways**

3513. SHRI VIRDHI CHANDER JAIN : Will the Minister of SHIPPING AND TRANSPORT be pleased to state :

(a) whether Government are aware that many commercial establishments have come up along the National Highways in the form of hotel or restaurants on public land ; and

(b) if so, what steps Government propose to take to curb such encroachments on Public land along the National Highways ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SHIPPING AND TRANSPORT (SHRI Z.R. ANSARI) : (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The State Govts., who are the executing agencies for National Highways,

have been advised from time to time to ensure that no encroachments take place on National Highway land and also to take remedial measures under the provisions of Public Premises (Eviction of Unauthorised Occupants) Act, 1971 for removal of encroachments. Besides, as a result of the recommendations of the Committee set up by the Government in February, 1982 to review the working of the agency system, a task force has been set up to study the problem of encroachment; and ribbon development with the ultimate objective of enacting a Central Legislation in this regard.

2. The Government have also taken steps to construct truck parking complexes along National Highways at a few selected locations on an experimental basis so as to concentrate all activities connected with the trucking industry at predetermined locations. If found successful, more such complexes would be constructed.

**Providing Pantry Car in Himsagar
Express**

3514. SHRI THAMPAN THOMAS : Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state :

(a) whether the Himsagar Express a long distance train is not provided with a Pantry Car or Restaurant Car, and

(b) if so, whether there is any proposal to provide Pantry Car or Restaurant Car in that train ?

THE MINISTER OF RAILWAYS (SHRI BANSI LAL) : (a) Himsagar Express is not provided with a Pantry Car or Restaurant Car.

(b) No, Sir.

Railway Overbridge at Kuttippuram

3515. SHRI K P. UNNIKRISHNAN : Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state :

(a) whether alignment of the railway overbridge at Kuttippuram (Kerala) on the National Highway has been finalised;

(b) if so, when the construction work is likely to be started; and

(c) what is the priority given to the work by the Southern Railway ?

THE MINISTER OF RAILWAYS (SHRI BANSI LAL) : (a) to (c) The work of construction of overbridge at Kuitippuram on the National Highway has been included in the Railways Budget for 1985-86. The detailed plans for this work are being finalised jointly by the Railways and the State Government and construction will be taken up after finalization of plans and estimates.

Number of Teaching Days in Schools

3516. SHRI CHINTAMANI JENA : Will the Minister of EDUCATION be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that the schools in Delhi and elsewhere in the country have just 120 to 140 teaching days as against 240 days prescribed by the National Council of Educational Research and Training;

(b) if so, the reasons therefor;

(c) whether any study has been conducted in this regard; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF EDUCATION (SHRI K.C. PANT) : (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

(c) Yes, Sir.

(d) National Council of Educational Research and Training undertook a study entitled "Curriculum Load at the School Level-A Quick Appraisal". It has been recommended that Directorates of Education should ensure 220 working days out of which there should be at least 190 instructional days.

Recommendations of Expert Committee on Flood Control

3517. SHRI N.V. RATNAM : Will the Minister of IRRIGATION AND POWER be pleased to state :

(a) the main recommendations of the Expert Committee constituted in 1982 to

suggest norms for maintenance of Flood Control Works;

(b) the work taken up in Andhra Pradesh and funds provided by the Centre during 1983-84; and

(c) the reasons for not providing any amount for Andhra Pradesh for 1984-89?

THE MINISTER OF IRRIGATION AND POWER (SHRI B. SHANKARANAND) : (a) A statement showing the main recommendations of the Expert Committee on Norms for maintenance of different types of flood protection and drainage works is enclosed.

(b) and (c) Maintenance and repairs of flood control works are looked after and provided for entirely by the respective States. No funds are provided by the Centre.

Statement

Statement showing the main recommendations of the Expert Committee on Norms for maintenance of different types of flood protection and drainage works.

The norms recommended for 1982-83 were as under :

1. Embankments

Rs. 12000 to Rs. 17000 per km. in the first three years after construction and Rs. 9000 to Rs. 12000 per km. in subsequent years, the lower rates to be adopted for embankments, upto a height of 3 metres (10 ft.). For armoured embankments lower rates to be adopted.

In case of embankments situated in areas of heavy monsoon rainfall of the order of 1500 mm or more, an increase of 10% in the above rates is recommended.

In case of embankments along rivers with a flood discharge of 10000 cumecs or more, an increase of 30-40% is recommended.

Drainage channels

Discharge upto
5 cumecs Rs. 2000 per km.