

are primarily responsible for providing library services to the public specially in rural areas. However, the Raja Rammohun Roy Library Foundation, Calcutta, an autonomous organisation fully financed by the Department of Culture, works towards promoting library services among all sections of the people by providing financial assistance under several schemes.

(b) A provision of Rs. 1.40 crores has been envisaged by the Raja Rammohun Roy Library Foundation for assistance to libraries during the Seventh Plan.

Collection of Rare Blood Groups at District Headquarters Hospitals

7464. SHRI C. K. KUPPUSWAMY : Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state :

(a) whether Government propose to collect and preserve rare blood groups for needy patients at all the district headquarters hospitals in the country ;

(b) whether Union Government propose to set up special Blood Bank for collection of rare blood groups and arrange to have these Blood Banks located in all the cities of the country ; and

(c) if so, the details thereof and if not the reasons thereof ?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE DEPARTMENT OF FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI S. KRISHNA KUMAR) : (a) to (c) Blood of any group can be stored in all blood banks where requisite storage facilities are available. During the Seventh Five Year Plan, there is a scheme for development and modernisation of blood banking and transfusion services in the country upto the district level in all its facts of collection, storage and distribution.

Road Over Bridge near Gudivada Railway Station on Vijayawada Machilipatnam line (A.P.)

7465. SHRI V. SOBHANADREESWARA RAO : Will the Minister of TRANSPORT be pleased to state :

(a) the estimated cost of road over bridge near Gudivada Railway Station on Vijayawada Machilipatnam line showing cost to be borne by Railway and Government of Andhra Pradesh separately ;

(b) when the work was approved and the reasons for the progress not being made in regard to the work to be done by Railways while the approach work under State sector is making progress ; and

(c) the amount earmarked in the current year for the work and the likely date of completion by Railways ?

THE MINISTER OF TRANSPORT (SHRI BANSI LAL) : (a) The revised estimated cost of the work is Rs. 1.87 crores which is to be shared by the Railways and the Government of Andhra Pradesh on fifty-fifty basis.

(b) The approval of the State Government to the revised estimate submitted to them in July, 1985 is awaited. Tenders for the Railway's portion of the work are under finalization.

(c) An outlay of Rs. 37.08 lakhs has been provided in the Railways budget for the year 1986-87. The Railway's portion of the work is likely to be completed by the end of April, 1987.

New Railway Bridges in the S.C. Railway

7466. SHRI C. SAMBU : Will the Minister of TRANSPORT be pleased to state the number of railway bridges to be constructed in 1986-87 in the South Central Railway ?

THE MINISTER OF TRANSPORT (SHRI BANSI LAL) : 337 Bridges will be taken up for construction in South Central Railway in the year 1986-87.

Providing Stoppages of Delux Express and Tata-Patna Express at Madhupur

7467. SHRI SALAHUDDIN : Will the Minister of TRANSPORT be pleased to state :