

and control pollution are undertaken by both the central and state Governments. Studies on atmospheric pollution and its impact on health in Ahmedabad and Bangalore have been undertaken by the Indian Council of Medical Research through National Institute of Occupational Health.

New Treatment method for Heart Patients

4163. DR. C. SILVERA: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether a new method to treat patients had been found; and

(b) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRIMATI D.K. THARADEVI SIDDHARTHA): (a) and (b). Advances are continuously taking place to treat patients in improved ways and in the process new methods are evolved. So far as cardiovascular surgery is concerned, balloon angioplasty

is one of the new methods to treat patients with blocked coronary arteries leading to disorders like angina and myocardial infarction. This method has a very high success rate. This facility is now available in a number of hospitals in the country.

[*Translation*]

Reservation Quota in Trains at Basti in U.P.

4164. SHRI RAMPAL SINGH: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) the reservation quota in each train at Basti in Uttar Pradesh at present and during the last year;

(b) whether the Government propose to increase this quota?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI MALIKARJUN): (a) The reservation quotas available at Basti at present and during last year are as under:

Sl. No.	Train No.	Quota at present				Quota during last year					
		AC2-tier	1st class	11nd class	AC2-tier	1st class	11nd class	AC2-tier	1st class	11nd class	
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	6	7	8	
1.	3026 Gorakhpur-Howrah Express	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	10
2.	1144 Chhapra-Gwalior Express	—	—	6	—	—	—	—	2	—	12
3.	5063 Avadh Express	—	—	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	4
4.	1016 Gorakhpur-Bombay VT Exp.	2	—	46	—	—	—	2	—	—	—
5.	2553 Vaishali Express	4	—	34	—	—	—	4	—	—	34
6.	9166 Sabarmati Express	—	—	10	—	—	—	—	—	—	10
7.	5205 Kanpur-Barauni Express	—	—	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	3
				(Amritsar)							
8.	5205 Kanpur-Barauni Express	—	—	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	3
				(Howrah)							
9.	5206 Kanpur-Barauni Express	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	2
10.	5001/5007 Varanasi-Lucknow Express	1	1	—	—	—	—	2	2	—	—
11.	5007 Lucknow Mail	—	—	12	—	—	—	—	—	—	22

Sl. No.	Quota at present				Quota during last year			
	Train No.	AC2-tier	1st class	Ind class	AC2-tier	1st class	Ind class	Ind class
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	
12.	5609 Avadh Assam Express	—	—	4	—	—	8	
13.	5012 Cochin Express	—	—	8 2 (Mangalore)	—	—	10 2 (Mangalore)	
14.	2134 Lucknow-Bombay VT Superfast	—	—	20	—	—	14	
15.	2473 Shaheed Express	1	—	12	2	—	12	
16.	3009 Doon Express	—	—	—	—	—	2	
17.	4229 Lucknow Mail	—	—	2	2	—	6	
18.	2557 Amarnath Express	1	—	24	2	—	24	
19.	5090 Gorakhpur-Hyderabad Express	—	—	10	2	—	18	
20.	5046 Gorakhpur-Ahmedabad Express	—	2	14	—	—	12	
21.	5652 Lohit Express	—	—	2	—	—	4	
22.	5651 Up Lohit Express	—	—	4	—	—	6	

(b) The reservation quotas at Basti were reduced in some trains due to poor utilisation and, therefore, there is no proposal to increase the same for the present.

Bridge over Level Crossings

4165. SHRIMATI MAHENDRA KUMARI:
SHRI RAM NARAIN BERWA:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is any longterm programme to construct over-bridges at level crossings in order to avoid frequent rail accidents especially in Ahwar (Jaipur) and other big cities in Rajasthan;

(b) the number of such level crossings on extremely busy railway lines on which over bridges have been constructed during the last three years; and

(c) the time by which over bridges will be constructed at the remaining level crossings?

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

(b) 30 on all the Zonal Railways.

(c) This would depend on sponsoring firm proposals for the works by the concerned State Governments, availability of funds etc.

[English]

Electrification of Bhagalpur-Mughalsarai Line

4166. SHRI RAMASHRAY PRASAD SINGH: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is any proposal for the electrification of railway line from Bhagalpur to Mughal Sarai Via patna;

(b) whether any fund has been allotted for this project, if so, the details thereof; and

(c) when the proposal is likely to be implemented?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI MAL-LIKARJUN): (a) to (c). Electrification of Kiul-Mughalsarai section is an approved work as a part of electrification of Sitarampur-Mughalsarai section via Patna, which has been deferred and its execution will depend upon availability of resources and relative priorities for electrification of other high density routes. there is no proposal to electrify Kiul-Bhagalpur Section.

Wagons for Singareni Collieries.

4167. SHRI SOBHANAN REESWARA RAO VADDE: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government have received requests from the Vijaya Thermal Power Station to provide wagons for transportation of coal from Singareni collieries;

(b) if so, the number of wagons demanded for that purpose and the number of wagons actually being provided; and

(c) the steps being taken to provide adequate number of wagons for this purpose?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI MAL-LIKARJUN): (a) to (c). The Standing Linkage Committee under the Ministry of Coal has given a linkage of 186 Boxed per day to Vijayawada Thermal Power Station for the