pending with the Government for sanction; and

(b) if so, the time by which it is likely to be sanctioned?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF INVIRONMENT AND FORESTS (SHRI KAMAL NATH): (a) Yes, Sir. The proposal for declaration of composite area of Tadoba National Park and Andhari Sanctuary as Project Tiger Reserve has been received from the State Government of Maharashtra.

(b) The Project proposal is being examined in the Ministry and a decision 1s likely to be taken soon.

## Rail Yatri Niwas

# 4140. SHRI TEJ NARAYAN SINGH:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government propose to set up more Rail Yatri Niwas during the current Five Year Plan;

(b) if so, the details thereof, location-wise; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor.

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI K. C. LENKA): (a) to (c) There are no immediate plans for construction of additional Rail Yatri Niwas for the present in view of resource constraints.

### Assistance for Cleaning Damodar River

## 4141. SHRI BASUDEB ACHARIA: SHRI PANDURANG PUND-LIK FUNDKAR:

Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS be pleased to refer to the reply given to Unstarred Question No. 1168 on March 2, 1993 and state:

(a) whether the Government have given the detailed project report on Damodar clean up to Germany for financial aid:

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) if not, the reasons therefor; and

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(d) the steps taken by the Government to expedite the matter?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS (SHRI KAMAL NATH): (a) to (d) The Central Mining Research Station (CMRS), Dhanbad, National Environmental Engineering Research Institute (NEERI). Nagpur, Metallurgical and Engineering Consultants. India Limited (MECON), Ranchi, and the University of Delhi have been commissioned by the Government to prepare a feasibility report on the pollution abatement programme for River Damodar. The rewould form the port, when submitted, basis for identifying projects or pollution control and environmental regeneration for the river basin, which could also be posed for funding by donor agencies and countries including Germany.

### Electrification of Kharagpur-Vizag Railway Line

4142. DR. KARTIKESWAR PATRA: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is any demand for the electrification of railway line from Khararagpur to Vizag via Khurda Road; and

(b) if so, the steps being taken/proposed to be taken by the Government in thus regard including allocation of funds for this purpose?

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

(b) A cost-cum-feasibility survey for electrification of Kharagpur-Waltair section has been ordered to assess the financial viability of the project. The survey work is expected to be completed by Sept. 93. Final decision will, however, depend upon the results of the survey and availability of resources.

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### Schools on S.E. Railway

4143. SHRI BIRSINGH MAHATO: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be

pleased to state:

(a) the number of high schools running under South-Estern Railway at present;