

[Translation]

Fisheries in Reservoirs

3156. SHRI SURAJBHANU SOLANKI : Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state :

(a) whether the Government of Madhya Pradesh has submitted five schemes worth Rs. 4.5 crores for fisheries in reservoirs to the Government; and

(b) if so, the present status of these schemes?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF NON-CONVENTIONAL ENERGY SOURCES AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI S. KRISHNA KUMAR) : (a) No such proposal has so far been received from the Government of Madhya Pradesh.

(b) Question does not arise.

[English]

New Railway Lines

3157. SHRIMATI D.K. THARADEVI SIDDHARTHA : Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state :

(a) the routes on which survey has been ordered for laying New Railway Lines in Karnataka;

(b) whether the Government have any proposal to include Mudique in the survey ordered for Kadur-Chikmagalur-Belur-Sakaleshpur; and

(c) if so, the time by which it is likely to be included and completed?

THE MINISTER OF RAILWAYS (SHRI C.K. JAFFER SHARIEF) : (a) The following New line surveys are in progress in Karnataka;

(I) Mysore-Tellicherry

(II) Chamarajanagar-Metur Dam

(III) Chamarajanagar-Mettupalayam and Chamarajanagar-Coimbatore, and

(IV) Kadur-Chikmagalur and Chikmagalur-Sakaleshpur.

(b) In the Chikmagalur-Sakaleshpur survey the alignment via Mudigere will also be considered.

(c) The survey is expected to be completed in 1995-96. Further consideration of the project will be possible only after survey report is received.

[Translation]

Gauge Conversion

3158. SHRI PAWAN DIWAN : Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state :

(a) whether the Government have decided to convert

all of the metre gauge railway lines into broad-gauge railway lines throughout country; and

(b) if so, the details thereof; especially between Raipur and Ranzion connecting Baster and Kalahandi tribal areas?

THE MINISTER OF RAILWAYS (SHRI C.K. JAFFER SHARIEF) : (a) and (b). No, Sir. Only selected MG/NG routes are proposed to be converted. About 13500 kms. of MG/NG lines have been identified for conversion out of about 27000 kms. of such lines which were existing on 1.4.92. Gauge conversion of Raipur-Dhamtari-Rajim line is included in the first phase of action plan and will be taken up in the coming years.

[English]

Railway Line

3159. DR. KRUPASINDHU BHOI :

SHRI GOPI NATH GAJAPATHI :

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the funds allocated for Khurda road Bolangir line in Orissa during the financial year 1995-96 is very inadequate;

(b) if so, the steps taken to enhance allocation of funds;

(c) the details thereof;

(d) whether any step has been taken to start the above project; and

(e) the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF RAILWAYS (SHRI C.K. JAFFER SHARIEF) : (a) No, Sir.

(b) and (c). Do not arise.

(d) Yes, Sir.

(e) Final location survey has been taken up. Thereafter land acquisition will be done and the construction work will be taken up once the land becomes available.

[Translation]

Age Limit for Admission in Kendriya Vidyalayas

3160. DR. RAMESH CHAND TOMAR : Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state :

(a) whether the age limit for the admission in the Central Schools at the initial stage has been increased; and

(b) if so, the reasons therefor and the age now fixed for admission?