

Supreme Court, CPCB had constituted a Committee, which inter-alia recommended de-leasing of a plot of degraded forest land procured by the hotel.

(b) and (c). The places where hotels and motels are to be set up are to be decided by the State Government/local bodies in consultation with the concerned Central Government departments, wherever required. Guidelines have been formulated for seeking environmental clearance for 29 categories of developmental projects, including hotels. The Government gives permission for setting up of hotels on a case to case basis, after environmental appraisal of the project.

Electrification of Railway Track

3137. SHRI GIRDHARI YADAV : Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state :

(a) the progress made in the electrification of the rail track from Mughalsarai to Asansol via Patna; and

(b) the time by which the electrification work on this line is likely to be completed?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI SATPAL MAHARAJ) : (a) and (b). The section Asansol to Sitarampur which is on the main trunk route is already electrified. On Sitarampur-Mughalsarai section where electrification work is on hand, 34 route kilometre from Sitarampur to Jamtara has been completed and the work in the remaining section has been taken up.

The electrification of the entire Sitarampur-Mughalsarai Section is planned for completion by March, 1999.

Rail link Connection

3138. DR. C. SILVERA : Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state :

(a) whether certain areas in the country have not been connected with rail link so far;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Government propose to link these areas with rail connection, at least during Golden Jubilee period of the Indian Independence; and

(d) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI SATPAL MAHARAJ) : (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) A statement showing the Districts which are not connected by rail at present is attached.

(c) It would not possible to link all these areas with rail connection in time bound manner. However, completion of ongoing new lines projects will provide connection to some of these areas.

(d) Constraint of resources.

STATEMENT

(b) The details are as under :-

State	District
Bihar	Godoa
Himachal Pradesh	Chamba Kulu Kinnaur Sirmaur Bilaspur Hamirpur Lahaul-Spiti
Kerala	Wayanad Idukki Pathanamphitta
Maharashtra	Gadchiroli
Tripura	South-Tripura
Manipur	Senapati Bisnupur Thoubal Imphal Chandel Churachandpur
Meghalaya	West-Gero Hills West-Khasi Hills East Khasi Hills Jaintia Hills
Uttar Pradesh	Pithoragarh Almora Chamoli Garwal Tirigarwal Uttarkashi
Goa	Bicholim Ponda Satari Gigid
Jammu & Kashmir	Chilas Vajarath Muzafarabad Punch Mirpur
Karnataka	Kodagu
Madhya Pradesh	Chhatarpur
Mizoram	South-Mizoram
Arunachal Pradesh	West Kameg Tawang Lowersubansiri Upper Subansiri Westsiang East-Siang Depungvalley Tirap
Rajasthan	Banswara