

at present in hand, on the South Eastern Railway and exhaustive data has to be collected to work out the viability of the proposal.

Delay in flights of Indian Airlines

1184. SHRI BRIJ BHUSHAN TIWARI: Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) the total number of flights of the Indian Airlines delayed due to unscheduled mechanical inspection during the last three years; and

(b) the average time taken in these inspections and how does it compare with the international average?

THE MINISTER OF ENERGY AND MINISTER OF CIVIL AVIATION (SHRI ARIF MOHAMMAD KHAN): (a) During the last three years, namely, 1987, 1988 and 1989, out of 3,12,365 flights operated by Indian Airlines, 5,698 flights (1.82%) were delayed by more than 30 minutes due to technical reasons.

(b) Indian Airlines does not have a system compiling average times of unscheduled mechanical inspections.

[English]

Privatisation of Public Sector Undertakings

1185. SHRI Y.S. RAJA SEKHAR REDDY: Will the Minister of INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) whether the World Bank has suggested privatisation of certain public undertakings in non-essential sector;

(b) if so, details thereof; and

(c) Government's reaction thereto?

THE MINISTER OF INDUSTRY (SHRI AJIT SINGH): (a) No, Sir.

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

[Translation]

Accident of 3151 Up Jammu-Tawi Express at Chaneti

1186. SHRI SANTOSH KUMARGANGWAR: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether an accident of 3151 Up Jammu-Tawi Express occurred at Chaneti Railway station on 23rd February, 1990;

(b) if so, the facts in this regard;

(c) whether 19 Kms. of rail line in the above sector is defective; and

(d) if so, the steps proposed to be taken for revival of the defective line?

THE MINISTER OF RAILWAYS (SHRI GEORGE FERNANDES): (a) and (b). On 23.2.90 at 13.32 hrs. 5 coaches of 3151 Sealdah-Jammu Tawi Express derailed at Chaneti station situated on Shahjahanpur-Bareilly Broad Gauge section of Moradabad Division of Northern Railway. As a consequence, the train suffered a detention of 40 minutes.

There was no casualty.

(c) No, Sir.

(d) Does not arise.

Electrification of Kanpur-Lucknow Railway Line

1187. SHRI KESHRI LAL: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state: