

posts; reduction in duty hours; promotion of some categories of staff; medical facilities; construction of staff quarters, etc.

(c) Kendriya Vidyalaya Sangathan is always prepared for discussion with the Employees' Associations on all genuine grievances to arrive at reasonable solutions. In fact the Commissioner Kendriya Vidyalaya Sangathan has been holding discussions with the recognised Employees' Associations from time to time on the demands/grievances of the employees. Many of the present demands have also earlier been the subject of discussion with the Employees' Associations.

Maintenance of Electric Locomotives

990. SHRI SOBHANADREESWARA RAO VADDE: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the demand of maintenance of Electric locomotives has increased with the completion of several important railway lines with electrical power;

(b) whether the demand for maintenance of more Electric Locomotives has arisen at Vijayawada which is located at a very central position;

(c) if so, the existing capacity of Electric Loco Shed at Vijayawada;

(d) whether the Railways has plans to expand the Electric Loco Shed in the near future; and

(e) if so, the details thereof?

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

(b) Additional Electric Locomotives requires due to completion of Electrification Works are being maintained at Vijayawada temporarily, pending completion of electric loco shed at Lallaguda.

(c) 100 Locos.

(d) and (e). No, Sir. The construction of Electric Loco Shed at Lallaguda is in progress and on completion of the same, the locomotives in excess of the capacity at Vijayawada will be transferred to Lallaguda.

[*Translation*]

Expansion of Railway Station in U.P.

991. SHRI PRABHU DAYAL KATHERIA: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government have received any proposal for the expansion of Railway Station of Dehradun and other stations in Uttar Pradesh; and

(b) the action proposed to be undertaken in this regard?

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

(b) Facilities at stations are provided as per norms depending on the volume of passenger traffic handled. Periodically, surveys are conducted to ascertain the deficiencies which might have accrued due to increase in the volume of traffic and proposals are formulated to eliminate the deficiencies in a phased manner subject to the availability of funds. Suggestions received from the various bodies are given due consideration while formulating the