

Sahid Matangini (Maniktala) Railway Stations in the Panskura-Haldia Section of the South Eastern Railway ; and

(b) the reasons for delay ?

THE MINISTER OF TRANSPORT (SHRI BANSI LAL) : (a) and (b). West Bengal Government's approval to the change in the name of Sutahata Crossing Station as 'Basulya-Sutahata' has been received recently. South Eastern Railway has approached Indian Railway Conference Association for the approval of the proposed name of the station and giving code initials. This station will be opened for passenger traffic thereafter.

As regards opening of Sahid Motangini (Maniktala) Passenger Halt between Reghunathbari and Tamluk stations, the proposal when re-examined by the South Eastern Railway, on the present day cost of the station was found to be financially non-viable. The matter is being further reviewed.

Recognition of M. Tech. Degree of Delhi University

624. SHRI MANVENDRA SINGH : Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state :

(a) whether M. Tech. Degree in Microwave Electronics awarded by the University of Delhi is recognised by Government for purposes of recruitment to higher posts and services under the Central Government ;

(b) if not, the reasons therefor ; and

(c) the time by which the above degree will be recognised by Government ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENTS OF EDUCATION AND CULTURE (SHRIMATI SUSHILA ROHATGI) : (a). The Degrees and Diplomas awarded by Universities and Institutions established under Acts of Parliament or of State Legislatures do not require any further recognition by the Government for purposes of employment. The M. Tech. Degree in Microwave Electronics awarded by the Delhi University does not, therefore, need any further recognition from Government for employment purposes.

(b) and (c) Do not arise.

Conversion of Bombay Sangli track into Broad Gauge

625. SHRI PRAKASH V. PATIL : Will the Minister of TRANSPORT be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that Government have approved the scheme of converting the Bombay Sangli track into a broad gauge ;

(b) if so, at what point of time this was done ;

(c) what is the progress made since then and at what stage the work stands ; and

(d) what allocations have been made in the Seventh Plan for this line ?

THE MINISTER OF TRANSPORT (SHRI BANSI LAL) : (a) to (d). A.B.G. Line already exists between Bombay and Sangli. The conversion of the M.G. line from Pune to Miraj via Sangli was completed many years back.

Derecognition of Patliputra Medical College and Hospital, Dhanbad

626. SHRI SIMON TIGGA : Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that Indian Medical Council has derecognised Patliputra Medical College and Hospital of Dhanbad, Bihar for the second time ;

(b) if so, the reasons thereof ;

(c) whether Government are planning to hand over the Medical College and Hospital to Bharat Coking Coal Ltd., and

(d) if so, reasons thereof ?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE DEPARTMENT OF FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI S. KRISHNA KUMAR) : (a) and (b) The Patliputra Medical College, Dhanbad was provisionally approved by the Medical Council of India for award of MBBS degrees of the Ranchi University upto 3.4. 1982 and all students admitted to that College before the said date were declared eligible for registration on the passing they final MBBS examination. The Council has yet take the final decision