

Introduction of trains on Ambala-Delhi Double Track

5018. PROF. NARAIN CHAND PARASHAR: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether with the completion of the double track on Ambala-Delhi section of Northern Railway, the capacity of the track for additional trains has increased;

(b) if so, whether any new trains have been started or existing trains like Himachal Express diverted via DUK, which happens to be the shorter route;

(c) if so, the details thereof; and

(d) if not, the likely date by which the additional capacity would be utilized and Himachal Express diverted for which there has been a long standing demand from the people?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI MADHAVRAO SCINDIA): (a) to (d). The additional capacity generated has given relief to over saturated section. There is presently no proposal either to start a new train or divert Himachal Express.

National Diabetes Control Programme in Goa

5019. SHRI SHANTARAM NAIK: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the National Diabetes Control Programmes is being implemented in the state of Goa and if so, since when; and

(b) the financial assistance given to Goa therefor and the targets achieved thereunder?

THE MINISTER OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI MOTILAL VORA): (a) No, Sir.

(b) The question does not arise.

Development of Railway Stations in Goa

5020. SHRI SHANTARAM NAIK: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) the number of railway stations in the State of Goa;

(b) whether there is any proposal to expand, renovate or modernise any of these stations;

(c) if so, the names of such stations, the work proposed to be carried out and the expenditure involved; and

(d) the details of any additional passenger amenities proposed to be provided at these stations?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI MAHABIR PRASAD): (a) 16

(b) Yes, Sir.

(c) *Vasco-da-gama*: The work relating to additions and alterations to station building (phase-II) is proposed for inclusion in Railway's Preliminary Works Programme for 1989-90 at an anticipated cost of Rs. 9.75 lakhs.

(d) Provision of passenger amenities is a continuous process. These are provided on a need-based programme subject to availability of funds and comparative needs of different stations.

Leprosy Houses

5021. SHRI AMARSINH RATHAWA: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) the number of leprosy patients in the country, State-wise;