

regarding the number of persons who were Assistants is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the House when it is ready.

TOURIST TRAFFIC FACILITIES

195. **Shri M. L. Dwivedi:** Will the Minister of Transport be pleased to state:

(a) the estimated expenditure of building Rest Houses, providing refreshment facilities and other tourist traffic facilities in any one, or more than one, or all of the following places:—

(i) Khajuraho temples;

(ii) Chachai Falls; and

(iii) Keoti Falls;

in the State of Vindhya Pradesh;

(b) the time by which the places shall be equipped with tourist facilities; and

(c) whether Government propose to lay on the Table of the House a copy each of any literature, leaflets, booklets or publications etc. on the above?

The Minister of Railways and Transport (Shri L. B. Shastri): (a) (i) Only estimates for the construction of a dak bungalow at Khajuraho have so far been prepared. The expenditure is likely to be Rs. 30,000.

(b) The matter is under correspondence with the Vindhya Pradesh Government.

(c) Copies of the 'India Tourist Information' Booklet and of 'the Handbook of India', which *inter alia* contain a description of Khajuraho have already been added to the Library. The Department of Archaeology is bringing out a guide on Khajuraho copies of which when ready will be placed in the Library. Any other publications on these centres will also be similarly placed.

CONSTRUCTION OF SIDINGS IN BARAJAMDA

196. **Shri Deogam:** Will the Minister of Railways be pleased to state:

(a) the number of applications at present pending for construction of siding at the cost of applicants in Barajamda area;

(b) the time by which the said sidings are expected to be completed; and

(c) the names of applicants with dates of applications?

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The Minister of Railways and Transport (Shri L. B. Shastri): (a) Seventeen.

(b) The Government are not in a position to state the time by which the sidings may be expected to be completed.

(c) The particulars are as indicated below:—

Name of firm	Date of application
(1) Sirajuddin and Co.	30-6-1951
(2) S. Lall and Co.	22-9-1951
(3) B. N. Sarda (Two applications for sidings at two places),	10-9-1951 and 28-12-1951
(4) Kalinga Iron and Steel Corporation.	26-10-1950
(5) Ratan Lal Surejmal.	13-3-1952
(6) Kanai Lal Parsotamdas.	23-4-1952
(7) N. Roy.	Applications received on various dates between November 1951 and March 1952.
(8) E. C. Oates	
(9) Ramgopal Perasi	
(10) Minerals and Metals Ltd.	
(11) B'joy Mining Co. Ltd.	
(12) Indian Trades Corporation.	
(13) S. Chatterjee	
(14) Saroo Narayan and Co.	
(15) Mieri Lal Dharam Chand Ltd.	
(16) Aryan Mining and Trading Corporation Ltd.	
(17) Bonai Industrial Co. Ltd.	

DEORIA SADAR-BUDHHEMI RAIL LINK
199. **Shri Ramji Verma:** Will the Minister of Railways be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government propose to open a rail link between Deoria Sadar (O.T.R.) and Budhbhumi Kooshinara Kasia;

(b) if so, by what time; and

(c) whether the project is included in the construction programme of the current year?

The Minister of Railways and Transport (Shri L. B. Shastri): (a) No such proposal is under consideration at present.

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