

(b) the number of Block, Tehsil, Sub-divisional and market places yet to be connected by all-weather road in tribal areas of the State before and of rolling plan and current financial year;

(c) the reasons for lack of communication facilities in these areas after the preparation of sub-Plan, normal State plan allocation and M.N.P. and other schemes extended in these areas; and

(d) major and other bridge work included in current year in Sixth Plan?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SHIPPING AND TRANSPORT (SHRI BUTA SINGH):

(a) to (d). The Orissa Government have proposed in their Draft Sixth Plan (1980—85), a total outlay of about Rs. 1077 crores for Tribal sub-Plan for various sectors of development out of which about Rs. 85 crores have been earmarked for construction of Roads and Bridges. According to that draft Sixth Plan, 6 sub-divisions, 18 tehsils, 95 blocks and 85 police Stations in the State are yet to be connected with all-weather road links with the headquarters. The draft tribal Sub-Plan for the PWD roads proposed by the State Government includes 80 works out of which 41 are bridge projects. Financial limitations are said to be the main bottleneck.

Boarding of buses by DTC Personnel through Exist Gate

3446. DR. A. U. AZMI: Will the Minister of SHIPPING AND TRANSPORT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are aware that DTC personnel while proceeding on duty or off-duty, get into the DTC buses from the exist gates, thus

causing considerable annoyance and inconvenience to the commuters.

(b) while commuters have to wait for very long time at certain points where the bus service is bad, these personnel occupy comfortable position to the disadvantage of the paying commuters by jumping the queue and entering into the bus from the Exit/Gate;

(c) if so, what effective steps Government propose to take to stop such malpractices and ban the entry by such personnel who are not on duty in the bus from entering into it from the exist gate; and

(d) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SHIPPING AND TRANSPORT (SHRI BUTA SINGH):

(a) to (d). Some complaints of this nature were received by DTC some-time back. The Corporation has informed that they have issued strict instructions to the line staff that the members of the staff of the Corporation should not board the buses from the front gate. Traffic Officers posted in the Divisions as well as the Depot Managers have also been asked to ensure compliance of instructions. The Corporation has further informed that now the DTC staff, by and large, board the DTC buses from the proper entry gate.

Sealdah-Barasat Line

3447. DR. GOLAM YAZDANI: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state the progress of double line of Sealdah-Barasat Section of Sealdah Division of Eastern Railway?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS AND IN THE DEPARTMENT OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS SHRI

MALLIKARJUN): Progress of important items of work on doubling

of Dum Dum-Barasat section is given below:

Description	Progress
(i) Contracts executed	28 Tenders out of 29 tenders called for have been accepted.
(ii) Formation other than rocks	78%
(iii) 2 Major bridges	1 major bridge has been completed and the other bridge for which 1 girder has been received at site and 3 girders are under fabrication.
(iv) Platform's & bridges	36%. Out of 15 minor bridges, 1 has been completed.
(v) <i>Linking of track</i>	
Main line	3 kms.
loop line	0.25 kms.
(vi) <i>Points and crossings:</i>	
1 in 8 1/2 — 32 sets	23%
1 in 12—25 sets	80%
1 in 16—1 set	100%
(vii) Platform shed—7 Nos.	25%
(viii) Platform with fencing 6 Nos.	70%
(ix) Supply of ballast	15%
(x) Construction of OHE mast—140 Nos.	79%
(xi) Overall progress	46.8%

Attack on Sikh Boy in U.K.

3448. SHRI R. L. BHATIA: Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether his attention has been drawn to the news item captioned 'Attack on Sikh boy in U.K. condemned' appearing in the 'Tribune' dated the 31st August, 1980;

(b) if so, whether any protest was lodged by the Indian High Commission in U.K. with the British Government in this behalf or some other action taken; and

(c) if so, what is the reaction of the British Government thereto?

THE MINISTER OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI P. V. NARASIMHA RAO): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) On receipt of a communication from the Wolverhampton Turban Action Committee about an attack on Rajinder Singh, a 15 year old Sikh boy, by two white men in the Park Field area of Wolverhampton, the matter was immediately taken up by the High Commission with the British Home Office; the Home Office was urged to conduct vigorous investigation with a view to bringing the culprits to justice and take effective measures to prevent recurrence of such incidents.