

gauge metre gauge (dual gauge) stations on Northeast Frontier Railway is to be routed by all broad gauge route.

(ii) Traffic from broad gauge stations on Northern Railway for metre gauge stations on Northeast Frontier Railway to be routed via Garhara or via Malda whichever may be the shorter route. However, traffic in foodgrains from broad gauge stations on Northern Railway for metre gauge stations on the Northeast Frontier Railway is to be booked and routed via Malda.

(iii) All goods traffic from metre gauge stations on the Northern Railway to metre gauge stations on the Northeast Frontier Railway (except dual gauge stations on Northeast Frontier Railway) is to be routed by all metre gauge route.

(b) No statistics of the transit time taken for movement of essential commodities from Punjab and Haryana to North-Eastern States are maintained by the Railway.

(c) Decisions have recently been taken in consultation with the North Eastern States that principal commodities such as cement, salt and steel would be carried by the railways in broad gauge train loads to suitable stockyards in North Eastern Region from where further distribution will be arranged either by road or rail. With this arrangement, pressure on the transshipment points which were a bottleneck in movement will be reduced enabling improved supply of foodgrains to the North Eastern Region. The commissioning of the salt, cement and steel stockyards will also release capacity on the metre gauge. The released capacity on the metre gauge system would be utilised for carrying other goods of general consumption. A day-to-day watch is being kept on movement of foodgrains and other commodities both at the Railway Board's level and at the zonal Railways' level. With these steps, the movement of goods to

the region will be considerably speeded up.

इटारसी में डीजल शंड

6106: श्री रामेश्वर नीहारा :

क्या रेल मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या सरकार को पता है कि इटारसी, मध्य प्रदेश डीजल शंड से अशोधित (उच्छिष्ट) बहता रहता है जिसे मरम्मत करने वाली इकाईयां खरीदती हैं ;

(ख) क्या इस अशोधित तेल का नीलाम किया जाता है; और

(ग) यदि नहीं, तो क्या सरकार का विचार इसे नीलाम से बचने का है ?

रेल मंत्रालय तथा संसदीय कार्य मंत्रालय में उपमंत्री (श्री मल्लिकार्जुन) : (क) रेलों द्वारा डीजल शंडों में कच्चा तेल नहीं संभाला जाता है। डीजल शंडों में एच० एस० डी और ल्यूव तेल इस्तेमाल किया जाता है। ल्यूव तेल को नाली द्वारा शोधन के लिए न्यू कटनी भेजा जाता है और इसे सवारी और माल डिब्बा डिपुओं और भाप शंडों में इस्तेमाल किया जाता है। सर्विसिंग के दौरान एच० एस० डी० तेल की कुछ मात्रा अन्य फ्लूएण्टों के साथ साथ निकल जाती है। इसे मुख्यतः डीजल पुर्जों की सफाई के लिए इस्तेमाल में लाया जाता है। नाली द्वारा लाया गया ल्यूव तेल

और बेकार एच० एस० डी० तेल को खरीद
मरम्मत यूनियों द्वारा नहीं की जाती ।

(ख) और (ग) प्रश्न नहीं उठता ।

R.M.S. Office at Saharanpur

6107. SHRI RASHEED MASOOD:
Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be
pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are aware
that the RMS Office at Saharanpur is
without a shed and that during the
rainy season, the postal bags kept in
the RMS office get soaked with water
damaging the valuable documents and
letters; and

(b) if so, what steps have been taken
by Government to provide a shed to
the RMS office, Saharanpur?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE
MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS AND IN
THE DEPARTMENT OF PARLIAMEN-
TARY AFFAIRS (SHRI MALLIKAR-
JUN): (a) Yes, it is a fact that there is
no shed in front of RMS Office at Saha-
ranpur. The postal bags if any, in the
open are protected by RMS staff by
tarpaulin.

(b) The cost of providing regular
I. R. S. type shed is estimated to be
Rs. one lakh. Due to limited availabili-
ty of funds, it has not been possible to
take up this work at Railway's cost so
far.

**Allotment of More Funds to Propagate
Natural way of Birth Control.**

6108. SHRI S. A. DORAI SEBASTI-
AN: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND
FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to
state:

(a) whether Government propose to
propagate 'Natural way of Birth Con-
trol' by showing films and features to
the rural folk in view of the increasing
population in India during this decade;

(b) whether the Primary Health
Centres are propagating 'National way
of Birth Control' at present; and

(c) if so, the steps taken by Govern-
ment to allocate more funds on this
vital problem faced by our country?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE
MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMI-
LY WELFARE (SHRI NIHAR RANJAN
LASKAR): (a) "Natural Ways of Birth
Control" are part of the overall choi-
ces of birth control methods on which
information and advice is provided by
Government, leaving the decision re-
garding the method to be adopted to
each couple desiring to practise the
small family norm. These methods are
also explained to the people in the Opi-
nion Leaders Camps held all over the
country. Through the films and other
audiovisual mass media, generally the
small family norm is promoted.

(b) The Primary Health Centres are
important focal points for provision of
information and motivation for the
family planning methods including the
natural methods.

(c) As against the allocation of Rs.
528.47 lakhs for family welfare publi-
city during 1980-81, the allocation pro-
posed for 1981-82 is Rs. 640 lakhs. The
total outlay for the Family Welfare
Programme during 1980-81 is Rs. 140
crores which is being enhanced to Rs.
155 crores during 1981-82.

Traffic on Kharagpur-Adra Section

6109. PROF. AJIT KUMAR SAHA:
Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be
pleased to state:

(a) the density of traffic both goods
as well as passengers between Kharag-
pur and Adra section of South Eastern
Railway during the last three years;
and

(b) whether it is a fact that there is
an increase in traffic on this section?