

Conversion of Tiruvalla-Pathanamthitta-Punaloor Railway line

911. Prof. P. J. KURIEN: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have received representation requesting for the construction of Tiruvalla, Pathanamthitta-Punaloor railway line and Chenganoor-Kottarakara Trivandrum railway line; and

(b) if so, Government's reaction thereto?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI C. K. JAFFER SHARIEF):
(a) Yes.

(b) There is no proposal at present for construction of the above lines due to scarcity in resources position.

Bypassing of Malwan Port by Coastal Shipping Service between Bombay and Panaji

912. PROF. MADHU DANDAVATE: Will the Minister of SHIPPING AND TRANSPORT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the coastal shipping service from Bombay to Panaji bypasses the Malwan Port on the Konkan coast of Maharashtra;

(b) if so, the reasons thereof; and

(c) whether expeditious steps will be taken to open the port Malwan to shipping services?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SHIPPING AND TRANSPORT (SHRI Z. R. ANSARI):

(a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The elimination of Malwan Port from the itinerary of passenger vessels was due to the Port being tidal and the number of vessels having been reduced from 5 to 2 in December 1972, when one of the vessels ran aground at Malwan Port and was declared as a total loss. It is not possible to call at Malwan and

yet maintain the punctuality of the service.

(c) The Mogul Line Limited do not propose to include Malwan Port in the itinerary of passenger vessels, as the two ships operated on this service cannot call at more than four ports due to constraints of their speed and the need to maintain the sailing schedules and punctuality in this service.

केन्द्रीय सरकार स्वास्थ्य सेवा योजना के औषधालय

913. श्री भीम सिंह:

श्री सत्येन्द्र नारायण सिंह:

डा. सुब्रह्मण्यम स्वामी:

क्या स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि:

(क) केन्द्रीय सरकार स्वास्थ्य योजना के औषधालय खोले जाने का मापदण्ड क्या है, और

(ख) उन स्थानों के नाम क्या हैं जहाँ पर पिछले तीन वर्षों में ऐसे औषधालय खोले गए हैं और उनका कुल संख्या कितनी है।

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्रालय में उप मंत्री (कुमारी कुमुद बेन जोशी): (क) केन्द्रीय सरकार स्वास्थ्य योजना का एलोपैथिक औषधालय उस कालोनी में क्षेत्र में खोला जाता है जहाँ पर 3 किलोमीटर के घेरे में केन्द्रीय सरकार के कम से कम 2000-2500 कर्मचारी रहते हैं।

(ख) पिछले तीन वर्षों के दौरान दिल्ली, गुड़गांव (हरियाणा) बम्बई, कलकत्ता, नागपुर, मद्रास हैदराबाद, टिना, लखनऊ, पूर्ण तथा कनपुर में 26 एलोपैथिक औषधालय खोले गये।

Implementation of recommendations of the Railway Reforms Committee

914. SHRI JAI NARAYAN ROAT:
SHRI SHANTUBHAI PATEL:
SHRI MOHAMMAD ASRAR AHMAD:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) what are the main recommendations of the Railway Reforms Committee;

(b) whether Government have examined the report; and

(c) if so, action taken thereon?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI C. K. JAFFER SHARIEF):

(a) The Railway Reforms Committee is submitting its report in parts. So far, 6 parts have been received as indicated below:

Part Subject

I Resources for Renewals, replacements of Assets, Safety and Accidents Prevention.

II Long term Perspectives on different aspects of Rail-borne Transportation.

III Track, Bridges and Lands.

IV Railway Reserve Fund.

V Production and Maintenance of Rolling Stock.

VI Fare and Freight Structure.

(b) and (c) These parts of the Report are being processed by the Government and 94 recommendations have already been accepted fully or with modification.

Population of India and China

915. SHRI JAI NARAYAN ROAT: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that India is overtaking China in population; and

(b) if so, the details and the present population of both the countries?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRIMATI MOHSINA KIDWAI): (a) No reliable information is available. However, based on whatever infor-

mation is thrown up in this regard, there is no likelihood of India overtaking China in population in near future.

(b) Population of India according to 1981 Census was 685 million and the population of China according to Census conducted in 1982 was 1032 million (including Taiwan Province).

बिलास और बार के बीच रेल लाइन बिछाने के सम्बन्ध में सर्वेक्षण

916. श्री वृद्धि चन्द्र जैन: क्या रेल मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) राजस्थान राज्य में बिलारा और बार के बीच रेल लाइन बिछाने के लिए सर्वेक्षण कार्य के सम्बन्ध में अब तक कितनी प्रगति हुई है; और

(ख) इस लाइन पर कार्य कब तक आरम्भ हो जाने की सम्भावना है ?

रेल मंत्रालय में राज्य मंत्री (श्री सो. के. जफर शरीफ): (क) और (ख) राजस्थान राज्य में बिलाड़ा से बार तक एक नई मीटर लाइन का सर्वेक्षण कार्य प्रगति के अग्रिम चरणों में है। बहरहाल इस लाइन के निर्माण का निर्णय सर्वेक्षण रिपोर्ट की जांच हो जाने तथा गेजना आयोग से इसकी स्वीकृति प्राप्त हो जाने के पश्चात् ही लिया जायेगा वरन् कि संसाधन उपलब्ध हों।

News item captioned 'Red Tape Bogs Down Archaeology Deptt.'

917. SHRI M. RAMGOPAL REDDY: SHRI SUBHASH YADAV:

Will the Minister of EDUCATION AND CULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether attention of Government has been drawn to the press reports appeared in the Hindustan Times dated the 30 December, 1982 under the caption 'Red tape bogs down Archaeology Department';

(b) whether Government have inquired into the working of the Department of Archaeology during the last five years;