

(ख) क्या सरकार को इस सम्बन्ध में कोई ज्ञापन भी मिले हैं; और

(ग) यदि हां, तो उन पर क्या निर्णय किया गया है ?

रेलवे मंत्रालय में राज्य-मंत्री (ड० राम सुभग सिंह) : (क) से (ग). परिचालन की दृष्टि से दिल्ली और गाजियाबाद के बीच एक और गाड़ी चलाना, जिसके लिए मांग की गई है, अभी सम्भव नहीं है, क्योंकि इस संक्शन में लाइन की अतिरिक्त क्षमता और दिल्ली/नयी दिल्ली स्टेशन पर टर्मिनल सुविधायें भी उपलब्ध नहीं हैं। अतिरिक्त सुविधायों की योजना तैयार कर ली गई है और दिल्ली क्षेत्र में इनके उपलब्ध हो जाने पर अतिरिक्त उपनगरीय गाड़ियां, जिनमें दिल्ली गाजियाबाद संक्शन भी शामिल है, चलाने का काम हाथ में लिया जायेगा।

#### **Rail-road Competition on Southern Railway**

**1417. Shri Sezhiyan:** Will the Minister of Railways be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the competition from the road traffic is affecting the passenger earnings of the Southern Railway;

(b) whether the Southern Railway has suggested a coordinated policy to avoid the rail-road competition;

(c) if so, the details thereof; and

(d) the decision taken in the matter?

**The Minister of State in the Ministry of Railways (Dr. Ram Subhag Singh):** (a) Yes.

(b) to (d). No specific policy to avoid rail-road competition has been specially suggested by the Southern Railway. However, there has all along been a recognition of the need for avoiding wasteful or unhealthy rail-road competition. The Committee on Transport Policy and Co-

ordination has examined this matter very exhaustively and their report is at present under examination in the Planning Commission and the concerned Ministries.

That apart, the Planning Commission has also separately been pursuing with the State Governments the question of formation of Road Transport Corporations with the Railways' participation therein. All States served by the Southern Railway except the State of Madras have formed such Corporations. The Government of Madras are being urged by the Planning Commission to take early steps to set up a Corporation.

#### **Expansion of State Trading Corporation**

**1418. Shri Vasudevan Nair:** Will the Minister of Commerce be pleased to state:

(a) whether the question of further expanding the activities of the State Trading Corporation during the Fourth Five Year Plan has been considered; and

(b) if so, the nature of the decision taken in this regard?

**The Minister of Commerce (Shri Manubhai Shah):** (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) In order to increase and diversify exports both State Trading Corporation as well as Government have under constant review the location of trading opportunities which State Trading Corporation can avail of. All necessary support will be given by Government to State Trading Corporation, and in turn by State Trading Corporation to the producers concerned, particularly in the direction of introducing new items in the export market generally or in particular countries to which they might not have been exported in the past.

#### **Textile Mill in Nepal**

**1419. Shri Kindar Lal:**  
**Shri Vishwa Nath Pandey:**

Will the Minister of Commerce be pleased to refer to the reply given