

RAILWAYS, MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PLANNING AND PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTATION (SHRI RAM NAIK): (a) 6635/6636 Netravati Express was serving passengers bound for Mumbai, which has been diverted through shorter route. At present, two daily trains viz 6601/6602 Chennai-Mangalore Mail and 6627/6628 West Coast Express are adequately serving the passengers of Malabar region to travel towards Tamil Nadu.

(b) Does not arise.

Cases against Defence Personnel in N.E. States

279. DR. JAYANTA RONGPI : Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state :

(a) the number of cases pending against defence personnel for rape, murder and violation of human rights in various courts in North Eastern States; and

(b) the number of such personnel punished so far by court of the department for the above mentioned crimes in the North Eastern States, State-wise during the last three years ?

THE MINISTER OF DEFENCE (SHRI GEORGE FERNANDES) : (a) and (b) The information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the House.

Construction of Kuttipuram-Guruvayur Railway Line

280. SHRI G.M. BANATWALLA :

SHRI A.C. JOS :

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state :

(a) whether the final location survey and the alignment of the Kuttipuram-Guruvayur railway line (Southern Railway Palakkad Division, Kerala) has been finalised.

(b) If so, the details thereof; and

(c) the steps are being taken to expedite the long-pending construction of the above railway line ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS, MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PLANNING AND PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTATION (SHRI RAM NAIK) : (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) Guruvayur-Tanur alignment has been selected.

(c) The work was earlier sanctioned as part of the Mangalore-Shoranur doubling project in lieu of Tanur-Shoranur. However since Mangalore-Tanur doubling has been extended to Shoranur, this has now become a new line project for which fresh clearances are required. Survey report is being updated to enable further action in this regard.

Survey for Gunupur to Rayagada New Broad Gauge Line

281. SHRI GIRIDHAR GAMANG : Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state :

(a) the total funds provided for survey of new broad gauge line from Gunupur to Rayagada (S.E.Rly.) so far;

(b) whether the techno-economic survey report have already been examined and a decision taken to connect the Gunupur to Rayagada;

(c) If so, the details thereof; and

(d) If not, the reasons for delay?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS, MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PLANNING AND PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTATION (SHRI RAM NAIK) : (a) This is not yet a sanctioned work.

(b) to (d) Do not arise.

Construction of Over Bridge in Kottagudem

282. SHRI NADENDLA BHASKARA RAO : Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state :

(a) whether there is a proposal for construction of road overbridge in Kottagudem town in Andhra Pradesh; and

(b) if so, details thereof ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS, MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PLANNING AND PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTATION (SHRI RAM NAIK) : (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

Killings during Anti-Insurgency Operations

283. DR. JAYANTA RONGPI : Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

(a) the number of defence personnel killed by insurgents while on duty to maintain internal law and order during the last three years, State-wise; and

(b) the number of insurgents killed or apprehended in different States, State-wise by the defence forces during that period ?

THE MINISTER OF DEFENCE (SHRI GEORGE FERNANDES) : (a) and (b) Statement I and II containing the required information are attached.