

does not arise. The likely amount to be sanctioned to the Distt. Central Cooperative Banks in Gujarat is Rs. 257.00 crores.

Worli-Bandra Freeway

2063. SHRI RAM NAIK : Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS be pleased to state :

(a) whether a proposal of Worli-Bandra Freeway in Maharashtra has been accorded clearance by the Government;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS (CAPT. JAI NARAYAN PRASAD NISHAD) : (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

(c) Comprehensive Environmental Impact Assessment Report has been sought from Bombay Metropolitan Region Development Authority.

Frequency of Rajdhani Express

2064. SHRI MURALIDHAR JENA : Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state :

(a) whether there is a heavy demand for extension of the New Delhi-Bhubaneswar Rajdhani Express from Weekly to tri-weekly; and

(b) if so, the action taken by the Government in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI SATPAL MAHARAJ) : (a) Some representations have been received in this regard.

(b) Increase in frequency of 2421/2422 New Delhi-Bhubaneswar (via Howrah) Rajdhani Express is being examined and action as found feasible and justified will be taken.

Environmental Clubs

2065. SHRI MAULLAPPALLY RAMACHANDRAN : Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government of Kerala has submitted any proposal for the setting up of the Environmental Clubs in schools and colleges and environment Protection committees at the Districts and State Levels;

(b) if so, the estimated cost of these projects and the extent of central aid sought by the State; and

(c) the action taken or proposed to be taken by the Government thereon?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS (CAPT. JAI NARAYAN PRASAD NISHAD) : (a) and (b). The Kerala State Government has submitted a proposal titled, "Promotion of environmental awareness and participation of people in Kerala" for environmental clubs, district environment protection committees, resource materials, audiovisual vans, mobile laboratories, setting up of a permanent stall on environment at the Science and Technology Museum, Formation of State and District Crisis Groups and of a State Environment Protection Committee at a total cost of Rs.1.61 crores for the first year and a recurring annual grant of Rs.61.50 lakhs. They have sought Central assistance for the whole amount. The cost of setting up of Environmental clubs and Environmental protection Committees is Rs.58.84 lakhs for the first year and recurring annual grant of Rs.48.84 lakhs for the subsequent years.

(c) The State Government has been given the guidelines of the schemes for Eco-club and Paryavaran Vahinis of this Ministry and requested to revise their proposal accordingly. As regards the State Level Environmental protection Committee, they have been informed that there is no provision for support for such committees.

Delicensing of Dairy Sector

2066. SHRIMATI GEETA MUKHERJEE : Will the Minister of ANIMAL HUSBANDRY AND DAIRYING be pleased to state :

(a) whether Delicensing of Dairy Sector was done despite strong opposition from the National Dairy Development Board; and

(b) if so, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE DEPARTMENT OF ANIMAL HUSBANDRY AND DAIRYING IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI RAGHUVANSH PRASAD SINGH) : (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

Level Crossings

2067. SHRI SOUMYA RANJAN : Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state :

(a) the number of manned unmanned Railway crossings in the country, zone-wise and State-wise; and

(b) the number of unmanned level crossings to be converted into manned during the year 1996-97?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF
RAILWAYS (SHRI SATPAL MAHARAJ) : (a) Number of

level crossings (manned and unmanned) in the country
is 40848. zone-wise and State-wise break-up is as
under :

ZONE-WISE :

S.No.	Railway	Manned	Unmanned	Total
1.	Central	1788	1688	= 3476
2.	Eastern	1275	1026	= 2301
3.	Northern	3218	4483	= 7701
4.	North Eastern	1515	3267	= 4782
5.	Northeast Frontier	656	1699	= 2355
6.	Southern	2194	2570	= 4764
7.	South Central	1469	2108	= 3577
8.	South Eastern	1029	3720	= 4749
9.	Western	3012	4131	= 7143
Grand Total		16156	24692	= 40848

STATE-WISE :

1.	Assam	380	1045	= 1425
2.	Andhra Pradesh	1152	1610	= 2762
3.	Bihar	1337	2062	= 3399
4.	Delhi	62	7	= 69
5.	Gujarat	1477	2948	= 4425
6.	Haryana	550	520	= 1070
7.	Himachal Pradesh	42	293	= 335
8.	Jammu & Kashmir	16	36	= 52
9.	Karnataka	670	1059	= 1729
10.	Kerala	414	231	= 645
11.	Madhya Pradesh	1229	1810	= 3039
12.	Maharashtra	1139	1650	= 2789
13.	Manipur	1	1	= 2
14.	Mizoram	1	1	= 2
15.	Orissa	262	1137	= 1399
16.	Punjab	769	1056	= 1825
17.	Rajasthan	1435	2268	= 3703
18.	Tamil Nadu	1257	1572	= 2829
19.	Tipura	1	37	= 38
20.	Uttar Pradesh	2842	3727	= 6569
21.	West Bengal	1089	1608	= 2697
22.	Chandigarh	6	2	= 8
23.	Pondicherry	9	9	= 18
24.	Goa	14	2	= 16
25.	Nagaland	2	1	= 3
Grand Total		16156	24692	= 40848

(b) Sensitive unmanned level crossings will be, on planned basis, after due prioritisation, converted into manned level crossings with the help of the State Govts. who have to invest the initial capital cost.

Doubling of Railway Line in Ratlam Division

2068. DR. SATYANARAYAN JATIYA : Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state :

(a) the progress made in the doubling of broad gauge railway line in Ratlam Division during each of the last five years upto March, 1996 alongwith the expenditure incurred thereon; and

(b) the position regarding the gauge conversion work?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI SATPAL MAHARAJ) : (a) The position of sections doubled alongwith expenditure incurred on doubling works in the last five years on Ratlam Division is as follows:-

Year	Section	Kms	Expenditure (in Crs)
91-92	Nil	-	17.53
92-93	Mahil Bridge	1.50	7.70
93-94	Shujalpur-Kalapipal & Bolai-Akodia	11.59 11.79	10.63
94-95	Nil	-	4.01
95-96	Bairagarh-Bakanian Bhaunri-Phanda Anas Bridge	16.12 1.50	6.75
Total		52.50	46.62

(b) The Gauge Conversion work from Nimach to Ratlam (135.35kms) is in progress and is likely to be completed in 9th Plan.

The survey for Gauge Conversion from Ratlam to Khandwa is in progress. Besides this, survey report of Gauge Conversion from Ajmer to Chittaurgarh has been received and is under consideration of the Ministry.

Funds for Soil Conservation

2069. SHRI VISHAMBHAR PRASAD NISHAD : Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state :

(a) the total amount provided during 1994-95 and 1995-96 by the Soil Conservation Department to each district of Uttar Pradesh;

(b) the details of work undertaken for the purpose project-wise;

(c) whether the payment have been made to labourers; and

(d) if not, the time by which the same is likely to be made?

THE MINISTER OF AGRICULTURE (EXCLUDING THE DEPARTMENT OF ANIMAL HUSBANDRY AND DAIRYING) (SHRI CHATURANAN MISHRA) : (a) The total district-wise amount provided by the State Government for soil conservation activities is given in Statement enclosed.

(b) The major activities being undertaken under various soil conservation programmes included erection of contour vegetative bunds, contour graded bounds, development of pasture, horticulture, afforestation, creation of water harvesting structures and treatment of drainage lines. These activities are aimed at restoring ecological balance in the degraded and fragile ecosystems, and promoting diversified farming system to enhance economic level of farmers and village communities on sustainable basis.

(c) There is reportedly no complaint regarding non-payment to the labourers.

(d) In view of (c) above, question does not arise.

STATEMENT

S.No	Name of District	Amount Allocated (Rs. in lakh)
1	2	3
1	Meerut	-
2	Bulandshahar	22.12
3	Gaziabad	16.97
4	Muzaffarnagar	-
5	Saharanpur	7.70
6	Haridwar	-
7	Bareilly	3.00
8	Badaun	30.70
9	Shahjahanpur	13.00
10	Rampur	-
11	Pilibhit	-
12	Muradabad	-
13	Bijnaur	-
14	Agra	92.12
15	Firozabad	13.24
16	Aligarh	10.80
17	Mathura	-
18	Mainpuri	13.02
19	Atah	3.00
20	Farukhabad	14.66
21	Etawah	51.09
22	Kanpur (Nagar)	-
23	Kanpur (Dehat)	86.85