

LPG connections till the end of October, 1990 in Bangalore city;

(b) out of them, the number of persons given new connections so far and upto which year the waiting list has been cleared; and

(c) the steps taken by the Government to clear the entire waiting list?

THE MINISTER OF PETROLEUM AND CHEMICALS AND MINISTER OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS (SHRI SATYA PRAKASH MALVIYA): (a) and (b). A total number of approximately 2.91 lakh persons have been given LPG connections as on 31.10.1990 in Bangalore city. Approximately 89,000 persons are registered with the distributors for new connections and are on the waiting list. In case of Indian Oil Corporation and Hindustan Petroleum Corporation the waiting list in Bangalore city has been pending since 1987 and that of Bharat Petroleum Corporation 1988.

(c) New LPG connections are released all over the country in a phased manner under the annual programme for enrollment of customers, subject to availability of LPG. The availability is being further augmented through enhanced production and import.

[*Translation*]

#### Sale of Tickets

1948. SHRI SANTOSH KUMAR GANGWAR: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether there has been a constant decline in income from the sale of tickets on various railway stations in Uttar Pradesh in October, 1990;

(b) if so, the details of the income

earned in U.P. during October, 1990 and the loss suffered; and

(c) the reasons for the said loss?

THE MINISTER OF RAILWAYS (SHRI JANESHWAR MISHRA): (a) to (c). State-wise statistics of earnings from sale of tickets at railway stations are not maintained.

[*English*]

#### Direct Trains from Kanyakumari

1949. SHRI N. DENNIS: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is any proposal to introduce more direct express trains from Kanyakumari to important places in the country; and

(b) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF RAILWAYS (SHRI JANESHWAR MISHRA): (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

#### Stoppage of Nilachal Express At Jaleswar Station

1950. SHRI SAMARENDRA KUNJUR: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether there has been a demand for stoppage of the Nilachal Express at Jaleswar railway station; and

(b) if so, the steps taken by the Government in the matter?

THE MINISTER OF RAILWAYS (SHRI JANESHWAR MISHRA): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) Examined but not found feasible.