

(c) the further amount required for this conversion work; and

(d) the difficulties in completing the work during the current year itself?

THE MINISTER OF RAILWAYS (SHRI GEORGE FERNANDES): (a) to (d). Conversion of Aunrihar-Chhapra MG to BG was approved in 1989-90 at a cost of Rs. 85 crores with Rs. 1.5 crores outlay during the year. (Varanasi-Aunrihar is part of Varanasi-Bhatni conversion and would be opened during 1990-91 as BG). Due to acute constraint of resources only token funds could be allotted to Aunrihar-Chhapra during 1990-91. Completion of this work would depend on availability of resources in coming years.

[English]

Railway Stations in Kerala

6156. SHRI SURESH KODIKUNNIL. Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government propose for expansion, development and construction of new station buildings and platforms, electrification at Avaneeswaram, Ezhukone, Ottakkal, Edamon, Thenmala, Aryankavu on the Quilon-Shencotta metre-gauge line during 1990-91;

(b) whether there is also a proposal for the construction of a new over bridge on Quilon-Shencottah railway line near Kariyava during 1990-91; and

(c) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF RAILWAYS (SHRI GEORGE FERNANDES): (a) Improvement to station buildings is a continuous process, which is done, as per norms, based on volume of traffic dealt with, subject to availability of funds. Adequate amenities, as per norms, exist at Avaneeswaram, Ezhukone, Ottakkal, Edamon, Thenmala and Aryankavu stations.

(b) No, Sir.

(c) Does not arise.

Power Projects of NTPC and NHPC

6157. SHRIM.V. CHANDRASEKHARA MURTHY: Will the Minister of ENERGY be pleased to state:

(a) the details of power projects under execution of the National Thermal Power Corporation Limited and the National Hydro-Electric Power Corporation Limited; and

(b) the details of collaborations, if any, for the projects with name of foreign firms, extent of collaborations, cost and value for each project of the total imports including fees and other terms?

THE MINISTER OF ENERGY AND MINISTER OF CIVIL AVIATION (SHRI ARIF MOHAMMAD KHAN): (a) Details of power projects under execution of the National Thermal Power Corporation (NTPC) and the National Hydro-Electric Power Corporation (NHPC) are given below in statement-I and II respectively.

(b) Information about NTPC Projects is given in statement-III and about NHPC projects in Statement-IV below.