

## WRITTEN ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS

[English]

**More Passenger Trains between  
Birbhum and Calcutta**

\*122. SHRI GADADHAR SAHA : Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state :

(a) whether Government are aware of the problems being faced by passengers travelling from Birbhum District to Calcutta because of inadequate rail services;

(b) If so, the details thereof;

(c) whether Government are considering to introduce more trains;

(d) if so, when and the details thereof; and

(e) if not, the reasons therefor ?

THE MINISTER FOR RAILWAYS (SHRI BANSI LAL) : (a) and (b) Sir, there are already 11 pairs of trains including 6 pairs of Mail/Express directly connecting Birbhum District with Calcutta.

(c) to (e) Due to lack of resources like coaches, locomotives, inadequate line capacity on sections enroute and terminal facilities at the terminals, introduction of new trains is not feasible at present.

**Demands of D.T.C. Employees**

\*129. SHRI LALIT MAKEN : Will the Minister of SHIPPING AND TRANSPORT be pleased to state :

(a) whether the recommendations of the High-Level Committee, set up to consider the demands of the Delhi transport Corporation employees after the one day strike of DTC on 23 March, 1983 have been accepted ;

(b) whether many a recommendation, including about the pension scheme, have not been implemented so far; and

(c) if so, the reasons therefor ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF SHIPPING AND TRANSPORT (SHRI Z.R. ANSARI) :

(a) The recommendations of the Committee were accepted by the Government in principle subject to specific consideration where financial implications are involved.

(b) and (c) . Many recommendations have already been implemented. Some are in the process of implementation and in a few of them, involving financial implications, including the pension schemes, a final view has yet to be taken. The various factors affecting the pace of implementation are procedural and legal requirements, consultations with multiple unions, internal budgetary constraints, etc.

**Delay in Completion of Irrigation  
Project**

\*130. SHRI DHARAM PAL SINGH MALIK : Will the Minister of IRRIGATION AND POWER be pleased to state :

(a) whether Government's attention has been drawn to the news item appearing in the Nav Bharat Times dated the 17th February, 1985 under the heading 'Sinchai preyojanai lagoo hone tak keroraon rupai badh jate hai'; and

(b) If so, what effective measures are being taken by Government for speedy completion of irrigation projects to save extra expenditure due to escalation of cost of these projects ?

THE MINISTER OF IRRIGATION AND POWER (SHRI B. SHANKRANAND) : (a) Yes, Sir ;