

[10 March, 2000]

RAJYA SABHA

Projects).

(c) Targets for completion of rail projects are fixed on an annual basis based on availability of resources. Details of the projects targeted for completion in 2000-2001 are as follows:— *New Lines* i. Kapadvanj-Modasa ii. Kashinagar-Kakdweep iii. Eklakhi-Gajol iv. Puttaparthi-Penukonda v. Bargachia-Munshirhal vi. Tamiuk-Digha vii. Joruri-Banspani

Gauge Conversion

- i. Nonera-Bhind of Guna-Etawah project
- ii. Raxaul-Birganj
- iii. Makum-Dangri
- iv. Amguri-Tuli
- v. Laxmanhirtha bridge diversion on Mysore Hassan line
- vi. Mudkhed-Adilabad (BOLT)
- vii. Wankaner-Morbi
- viii. Gandhidham-Bhuj
- ix. Darangdhara-Kuda

Railway Electrification

Electrification of 500 Kms. of Railway line is targeted for completion in 2000-2001.

Subsidy for Export of Wheat

†*234. SHRI KAPIL SIBAL:

SHRI RAJ MOHINDER SINGH:

Will the Minister of CONSUMER AFFAIRS AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that subsidy is required to be given to make export of wheat competitive in the international market;

(b) if so, what are the details of the proposal; and

(c) if so, whether Government have discussed the proposal with the

†Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.

concerned Department for implementation of the same?

THE MINISTER OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION (SHRI SHANTA KUMAR): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) As no decision has yet been taken by the Government in this regard, the question of furnishing the details does not arise.

(c) All the decisions of the Government are taken only after due discussions with the concerned Departments. In this case also, no departure from the above stated practice will be made when and if the proposal is finalized.

Proposal for different Fares for Peak and Non-Peak Periods

*235. SHRI SOLIPETA RAMACHANDRA REDDY:

SHRI P. PRABHAKAR REDDY:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Railways propose to introduce different fares for peak and non-peak periods; if so, the purpose thereof;

(b) what are the details of the plan in this regard;

(c) whether the non-peak periods have been identified for lesser fares; and

(d) by when the scheme is likely to be introduced?

THE MINISTER OF RAILWAYS (KUMARI MAMATA BANERJEE): (a) At present there is no proposal to introduce peak and non-peak fares for passenger trains.

(b) to (d) Do not arise.

Degrees of Kendriya Sanskrit Vidyapeeths

*236. DR. C. NARAYANA REDDY: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether all the Kendriya Sanskrit Vidyapeeths are deemed Universities;

(b) if so, whether information to this effect has been sent to all the Government organisations;

(c) whether Government are aware that degrees of some of the Kendriya Sanskrit Vidyapeeths are not being recognised by the defence forces, particularly for the posts of religious teachers; and