

**Drinking water Facility at New Delhi Railway Station**

2582. SHRI N. GIRI PRASAD: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that sufficient beautiful water taps are provided on each platform at New Delhi Railway Station;

(b) if so, the platform-wise details thereof;

(c) whether it is also a fact that three old big room type coolers have not been removed so far from platform Nos. 4-5, 6-7 and 8-9 at this station which cause inconvenience to travelling public; and

(d) if so, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI SATPAL MAHARAJ): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) There are 15 taps on platform No. 1; 24 on platform No. 23; 30 each on platform No. 45, 67 & 89 and 26 on platform No. 10.

(c) and (d) There are 3 huts with 2 water-coolers each on these platforms. These are essential as they are required for providing cold drinking water to passengers using these platforms.

**News Report on Probe Demand in KV's**

2583. SHRI SHIV CHARAN SINGH: SHRI GOVINDRAM MIRI:

Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether his attention has been drawn to a newsitem that appeared in the 'Sunday Observer', New Delhi edition dated July 21-27, 1996 under the caption "HRD Minister dismisses his own probe demand in KV affairs"; and

(b) if so, his reaction thereto?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN

RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI MUHI RAM SAIKIA): (a) Yes Sir.

(b) There are no specific complaints or evidence to warrant an inquiry.

**Reservation for SCST IN DPC of Railways**

2584. SHRIMATI VEENA VERMA: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether all the Departmental Promotion Committees must have one SCST member as per guidelines issued by the Ministry of Personnel;

(b) the reasons for not adhering to these guidelines in the composition of the DPCs for promotion to Jr. Administrative Grade (Rs. 3700-5000), Selection Grade (Rs. 4500-5700) and Senior Administrative Grade (Rs. 5900-6700);

(c) whether due to non-inclusion of SC/ST member in the DFC- the relaxation given in para 2.3.2 of DOP&T's ~~Order~~ F22011/986 Estt., dated 10th March, 1989 has not been allowed to SCs/STs; and

(d) the reasons for not giving benefits in promotions to SCST officers w.e.f. 10th March, 1989 in the posts within Group A which carry an ultimate salary of Rs. 5700/- if they are senior enough in the zone of consideration for promotion and within the number of vacancies notwithstanding the prescription of the bench mark provided they are rated fit in their CRs?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI SATPAL MAHARAJ): (a) As per guidelines issued by Department of Personnel & Training, all the Ministries/Departments have been advised to make endeavour to the maximum extent possible to nominate a Scheduled Caste/Scheduled Tribe Officer while constituting the Department Promotion Committees, Selection Boards, etc. for the recruitment/promotion to post/services under them.