

However, the doubling of Bangalore-Kengeri (12.45 km) and Kengeri-Ramanagaram (32.43 km) sections of Bangalore-Mysore line have been included in the Railway Budget. The work would be taken up as per the operational priority and availability of resources.

**Stoppage of Pooja Express at Gurgaon**

2252. SHRI RAO MAN SINGH: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have received any representation for stoppage of Pooja Express at Gurgaon; if so, the details thereof; and

(b) whether Government have taken any action thereon; if so, the details thereof if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI O. RAJAGOPAL): (a) Yes, Sir. Some representations had been received regarding stoppage of 2413/2414 Delhi-Jaipur Express at Gurgaon.

(b) These were examined but not found feasible for implementation.

**Palace on Wheels for A.P.**

2253. SHRI P. PRABHAKAR REDDY: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government's attention has been drawn to the news-item captioned, "Palace on Wheels for Andhra Pradesh derailed";

(b) if so, the Government's reaction thereto;

(c) the reasons for Government backing out of their commitment to the proposal initiated by the Andhra Pradesh Chief Minister and agreed to by the then Minister of Railways;

(d) whether Government would have a fresh look at the project which would promote growth of tourism in the State; and

(e) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI O. RAJAGOPAL): (a) to (e) Yes, Sir. A proposal to run a Palace on Wheels type luxury tourist train was