Withdrawal of subsidies on freight

412. SHRI N. GIRI PRASAD: SHRI CHATURANAN MISHRA:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it is a fact that Government are considering a proposal to withdraw all subsidies and concessions available for freight movement at present; and
 - (b) if so the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF RAILWAYS (SHRI C. K. JAFFER SHARIEF): (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

Appointment of a Committee on Kondan Rail route

413. SHRI. N. GIRI PRASAD: SHRI N. E. BALARAM:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether a three-emember committee was appointed to sort out the Konkan rail route controversy in Goa;
 - (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the said committee has submitted its report; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof and Government's decision thereon?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI K. C. LENKA): (a) A one man High Level Committee has been appointed.

- (b) The Committee consists of Justice G. J. Oza, retired Judge of Supreme Court of India.
 - (c) No. Sir.
 - (d) Does not arise.

Introduction of a new train between Nizamuddin and Mangalore

- 414. SHRI N. E. BALARAM: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state
- (a) whether it is a fact that a new train has been introduced between Nizamuddin and Mangalore since 1st July;
- (b) if so, what is the capacity in different classes in new train;
- (c) whether any change has been effected as to the total capacity to the 2626 Kerala Express; and
 - (d) if so the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI K. C. LENKA): (a) Yes Sir.

(b) Reserved:

AC Sleeper - 46 berths.

I Class — 26 then this

Sleeper class — 720 berths.

Unreserved: — 260 seats.

- (c) Yes, Sir.
- (d) The total accommodation for Trivandrum side has increased by one AC Sleeper coach, 4 Sleeper class coaches and one unreserved coach.

Bombs planted on railway tracks on Jammu-Kathua Section

- 415. SYED SIBTEY RAZI: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:
- (a) whether it is a fact that 10 bombs planted on both sides of the Railway tracks on the Jammu-Katra section of Northern Railway had been detected during June, 1993;
 - (b) if so, the details of this incident;
- (c) whether this timely detection had averted any major rail disaster;
 - (d) if so, the details thereof: