

विवरण

पर्यटक सर्किट

1. दिल्ली-जयपुर-आगरा-ग्वालियर-झांसी-वाराणसी-लखनऊ-दिल्ली ।
2. गोवा (मडगांव)-मंगलोर-मौसूर-हासपेट-बेंगलूर-गोवा (मडगांव) ।
3. बंबई-औरंगाबाद-नांदेड-सिकंदराबाद-हैदराबाद-पुणे-बंबई ।
4. हावड़ा-गया-वाराणसी-गोरखपुर-भुवनेश्वर-पुरी-हवड़ा ।
5. बेंगलूर-मैसूर-मद्रास-कोडैकनाल रोड-कन्या कुमारी-विरूवनतपुरम-कोच्चिन-मेट्टपालैयम-बेंगलूर ।

Payment of compensation to victims of rail accidents at un-manned level crossings

7867. SHRI JALALUDIN ANSARI:
SHRI N.E. BALARAM:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the Railways have no provision under the existing law to pay compensation to the victims of the accidents taking place at un-manned level crossings; and

(b) if so, whether Government have any plan to amend this law as it is primarily the responsibility of the Railways to prevent accidents at unmanned level crossings; if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF RAILWAYS (SHRI C.K. JAFFER SHARIEF):

(a) There is no provision to pay compensation to the victims of the accidents taking place at unmanned level crossings.

(b) Under Section 131 of the Motor Vehicles Act, 1988 and Section 161 of the Railways Act 1989, it is the responsibility of the road user to observe precautions while negotiating un-manned level

crossings. There is no plan to bring about any change in this regard in the Acts.

Computerised freight operation system

7868. MISS. SAROJ KHAPARDE:
Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the Ministry has recently ignored a proposal from the National Informatics Centre for the delivery of a computerised system for freight operations, as per the news item which appeared in the Times of India, dated the 23rd May, 1994, entitled "Railways ignored NIC Offer on Automation";

(b) whether it is also a fact that the Railways are going ahead with a project which uses outdated imported software and costs about Rs., 1,800 crores;

(c) if so, what are the details of the NIC's Offer in this regard and the cost thereof; and

(d) what are the reasons for the Railways to go ahead with a project which uses outdated imported software and is also costlier;

THE MINISTER OF RAILWAYS (SHRI C.K. JAFFER SHARIEF):

(a) and (c) In January 94 the National Informatics Centre (NIC) had made a suggestion that it can develop a computerised information system for freight operations. Some of the technical details of the offer, however were made available only on 7th June, 94. The NIC proposal consists of a network of super mini computers located at area reporting centres, Divisional and Zonal Headquarters and at the Railway Board. Satellite based data links will be used for telecommunications. The cost of the project is projected to be 296.75 crores.

(b) Work has been in progress since the eighties on a computerised Freight Operating Information System (FOIS) for Indian Railways using software obtained from C.N. Railways, Canada on the basis of a decision of a Committee of Secretaries in 1982. Trials are currently being conducted on a limited territory on Northern Railway. The anticipated cost