

**Direct Trains between Lucknow and
Kanyakumari**

3035. SHRI SYED SIBTEY RAZI:
Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be
pleased to state:

(a) whether Government propose to
introduce direct trains between Luck-
now and Kanyakumari;

(b) whether Government also pro-
pose to introduce direct trains be-
tween Lucknow and certain distant
places of Western India;

(c) if so, the details thereof with
priorities, sector-wise; and

(d) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN
THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS
(SHRI MALLIKARJUN): (a) No,
Sir.

(b) No, Sir. However, 5063/5064
Avadh Express has been extended upto
Bandra (Bombay) w.e.f. 1-7-1992.

(c) Does not arise.

(d) Due to not having any com-
mercial justification.

**Derailement of Kuria-Bangalore
Superfast Express**

3036. SHRI SURESH KALMADI:
Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be
pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that several
coaches of the Kuria-Bangalore Super-
fast Express derailed on 19th July,
1992 near Monkey Hill on the Kal-
yam-Pune section of the Central Rail-
way;

(b) whether it is also a fact that
a suburban local train rammed into
four derailed bogies of another local
train on 18th July, 1992 at Kharegaon
in Thane district; and

(c) If so, what are the details of the
loss of life and property therein?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN
THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS
(SHRI MALLIKARJUN): (a) and
(b) Yes, Sir.

(c) There was no loss of life in the
accident on 19-7-92 while one person
was killed in the accident that took
place on 18-7-92. The cost of dam-
age to Railway Property in these
accidents has been estimated at
Rs. 0.25 lakhs and Rs. 6.32 lakhs res-
pectively.

Unmanned Railway Crossing in Bihar

3037. SHRI S. S. AHLUWALIA:
Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be
pleased to state:

(a) the details of unmanned rail-
way crossing in Bihar;

(b) whether it is a fact that these
unmanned railway crossings are the
causes for many accidents in the State;

(c) if so, the number of accidents
which had occurred at these railway
crossings during the last three years;

(d) whether Government propose to
convert the unmanned railway cross-
ings in Bihar into manned ones to
avoid the accidents and also to pro-
vide jobs to Bihari youths; and

(e) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN
THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS
(SHRI MALLIKARJUN): (a) 1918.

(b) There are occasional accidents
at unmanned level crossings due to
violation of traffic rules under Motor
Vehicle Act by the road users.

(c) 13.

(d) On Railway account unmanned
Level Crossings are manned, on the
basis of traffic levels and where they
are considered hazardous. They are
also manned if sponsored by the State
Government/Local Authorities, to be
manned at their cost.

(e) Does not arise.