Ganesan, Shri R. alias Misa R. Ganesan Gautam, Shri Sangh Priya Gurupada Swamy, Shri M. S. Jain, Dr. Jinendra Kumar Jaiswal, Shri Anant Ram Kaldate, Dr. Bapu Kenia, Kumari Chandrika Premji Mahajan, Shri Pramod Malaviya, Shri Satya Prakesh Maran, Shri Murasoli Mathur, Shri Jagdish Prasad Mohanty, Shri Sarada Naik, Shri R. S. Padmanabham, Shri Mentay Patil, Shri Vishwasrao Ramrao Rahman, Shri Mohd, Khaleelur Rao, Shri Moturu Hanumantha Reddy, Dr. G. Vijaya Mohan Saghy, Shri T. A. Mohamored S:n, Sl ri Ashis Sen, Shri Si komal Shah, Shri Viren J. Singh, Sh. Digvijay Singh, Shri Ram Awadhesh Sirgh, Shri Shankar Dayal Silda, Shrimati Kamla Trivedi, Shri Dineshbhai Vajpayee, Shri Atal Bihari Venkatraman, Shri Tindivanam G.

The motion was adopted.

WRITTEN ANSWERS TO OUESTIONS

Raising of Funds for early completion of the Konkan Railway

- *241. DR. BAPU KALDATE: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:
- (a) whether it is a fact that the Government of Maharashtra have accepted the suggestion of the Central Government to raise funds for the early completion of the Konkan Railway:
- (b) if so, the total amount they have offered to the Railways for the purpose;
- (c) the reaction of the Central Government to that offer?

THE MINISTER OF RAILWAYS (SHRI GEORGE FERNANDES): (a) to (c) For the early completion of the Konkan Railway Project, i.e., a BG railway line from Roha to Mangalore, the State Governments of Maharashtra Karnataka, Goa and Kerala have been

requested for equity participation in the proposed Corporation/Authority for construction of this line. The share of Government of Maharashtra has been indicated as Rs. 55 crores. No firm commitment has been received from the State Government.

Shortage of fertilisers

*242. SHRI AJIT P. K. JOGI: SHRI CHHOTUBHAI PATEL:

Will the Minister of AGRICUL-TURE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it is a fact that for the coming Kharif season there is likelihood of acute shortage of certain fertilisers like DAP as the import orders were not issued in time;
 - (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether it is a fact that these fertilisers would arrive late at the ports on the Southern part of the country and therefore the entire northern belt would face crisis of the supply of these fertilisers; and
- (d) if so, what remedial measures are proposed to be taken in this regard?

THE DEPUTY PRIME MINISTER AND THE MINISTER OF AGRICUL-TURE (SHRI DEVI LAL): (a) No, sir.

- (b) Question does not arise.
- (c) and (d) Fertilisers vessels are nominated keeping in view the States where the fertiliser is required. There is no likelihood of any shortage of DAP in the Northern States.

भागलपुर भौर बरारी के बीच बंद पड़ी रेल लाइन

- *243. श्री दिनिवजय सिंह: वया रेल मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि:
- (क) क्या यह सच है कि भागलपुर ग्रीर बरंरी के बीच रेल ल'इन पड़ी है, यदि हां, तो उसके क्या कारण हैं: भ्रौर
- (ख) क्या यह भी सच है कि बर री को बाहपूर से जोड़ने वली रेलवे स्टीमर सेवा भी बंद है, यदि हां, तो कितनी स्रवधि तक यह