

who had applied and were interviewed at Meerut City/Meerut Cantt. Stations, were not considered for allotment of book stalls;

(c) whether any representation has been received against the allotment of book stalls to the agents or vendors of M/s. Gulab Singh and Son; if so, what action has been taken thereon by Government; and

(d) what criteria are adopted for finalisation of contracts for such book stalls?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI MAHABIR PRASAD): (a) and (b) Information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the Sabha.

(c) Yes, Sir. The representations were examined and Railway advised to take action as per extant policy.

(d) As per extant policy, applications for allotment of book stalls are called for from eligible categories and allotment is made after scrutiny by a screening committee of officers and approval by the competent authority.

Development of Bhimili-Vishakhapatnam Beach Road in Andhra Pradesh

1901. SHRI SATYANARAYANA DRONAMRAJU: Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is any proposal to develop Bhimili-Vishakhapatnam Beach Road in Andhra Pradesh;

(b) if so, what are the details thereof; and

(c) if not, whether Government would consider to improve the said beach road?

THE MINISTER OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI MOTI LAL VORA): (a) The Central Department of Tourism provides financial

assistance only to those projects which fall within the approved plan schemes of the Ministry. The Ministry does not have any plan scheme whereby funds can be provided for development of roads.

(b) Does not arise.

(c) Does not arise.

Expansion of Vishakhapatnam Railway Station

1902. SHRI SATYANARAYANA DRONAMRAJU: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is any proposal under Government's consideration to expand Vishakhapatnam Railway Station, in view of the increased traffic there; and

(b) if so, what are the details thereof?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI MAHABIR PRASAD): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The scheme of remodelling Vishakhapatnam Railway Station envisages the provision of a new booking and reservation complex, expansion of and improvement to circulating area, extension of platforms, provision of platform covers, construction of foot-over bridge etc. The works will be taken up in different phases subject to availability of funds.

The works of providing new booking and reservation complex and improvement to circulating area have been included in the Railway's Budget 1988-89.

Construction of railway bridge near Pendurthy Railway Station

1903. SHRI SATYANARAYANA DRONAMRAJU: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have received any representation from the