

**Jobs to families of employees who die in harness**

3162. SHRI BHAGIRATHI MAJHI: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) the number of employees who lost their lives during service in Railways but still their families are unable to get the jobs and other defined facilities, zone-wise;

(b) whether Government would provide jobs to their families on humanitarian ground on priority basis without further delay; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI E. AHAMMED): (a) As per the figures available with the Ministry of Railways, number of compassionate ground appointments owing to death of employees and medical decategorisation, during the period 01-04-2007 to 30-11-2008, is as below:—

Zonal Railway	Number of people appointed on compassionate ground	Number of cases pending for appointment on compassionate ground (as on 30.11.2008)
Central	1711	282
Eastern	1119	161
East Central	1582	192
East Coast	599	303
Northern	2471	151
North Central	891	68
North Eastern	625	127
Northeast Frontier	1266	194
North Western	921	84
Southern	981	174
South Central	1910	590
South Eastern	1325	151
South East Central	628	80
South Western	433	56
Western	1439	81
West Central	638	40
<b>GRAND TOTAL :</b>	<b>18539</b>	<b>2734</b>

(b) and (c) Each and every case of compassionate appointment is finalised expeditiously. All other dues and facilities, as per rules, are also arranged on a priority basis.

#### **Ongoing projects in Orissa**

3163. SHRI BHAGIRATHI MAJHI: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) the total number of ongoing projects and survey completed projects in the State of Orissa; (b) whether there is time limit for completing these ongoing projects in the State;

(c) if so, the reason for delay in completion of the ongoing projects; and

(d) whether Government would provide the funds to the long pending survey completed projects of the State to start them immediately?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI E. AHAMMED): (a) to (c) 5 new lines, 2 gauge conversion, 12 doubling projects are in progress in the State of Orissa. 5 Nos. of surveys were completed during the last three years in Orissa. Timely completion of projects depends upon availability of resources and other factors. In some projects, delay is on account of land acquisition, adverse law and order conditions, local resistance where land has been acquired for want of adequate compensation and slow progress by the contractors. The projects are being progressed as per the available resources. However, 7 projects are likely to be completed during 2009-10.

(d) Funds are being provided to those projects which are taken up after completion of survey.

#### **Manned/unmanned railway crossings**

3164. DR. GYAN PRAKASH PILANIA: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) the number of railway crossing in the country; manned/unmanned, category-wise;

(b) the total number of accidents at railway crossings, during last three years, category-wise;

(c) the passengers and others, killed/injured; category-wise;

(d) the compensation paid thereof; and

(e) the roadmap for converting unattended to manned crossings to minimize accidents?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI E. AHAMMED): (a) Number of manned/unmanned level crossings in the country as on 01.04.2009 are as under:—