

**, Correspondence courses of the Delhi University**

1495. SHRIMATI MONIKA DAS: Will the Minister of EDUCATION be pleased to state:

(a) the courses in which the Delhi University at present imparts education in M.A. through correspondence;

(b) whether the university proposes to start correspondence courses in M.A. English from the ensuing academic session; and

(c) if not, what are the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF EDUCATION (SHRI K. C. PANT): (a) The Delhi University at present offers Master's (degree) courses in Hindi, Political Science, History and Commerce through correspondence programmes.

(b) and (c) No, Sir. A proposal for introduction of Correspondence Courses in M.A. (English) was considered by the Departmental Council of the Department of English. The Council was not in favour of introducing M.A. (English) Course through correspondence.

**Bridge between Madras and Gudur**

1496. SHRI R. SAMBASIVA RAO: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are aware of the slow repairing work on a railway bridge between Madras and Gudur, which was washed away during the last year's cyclone; and

(b) if so, what steps are being taken by Government to expedite the repairing work?

THE MINISTER OF RAILWAYS (SHRI BANSI LAL): (a) and (b) Consequent on severe cyclone and unprecedented heavy rains, the railway embankment and bridges for both Up and Down lines between Madras and

Gudur were damaged on 14-11-1984 at a number of locations. The Railways took immediate steps and by round the clock working restored the traffic on Down line on 26-11-1984 by providing temporary bridges. The traffic on Up line was also restored on 5-12-1984 except for a small stretch\* between stations Akkampet and Sullurupetta where single line working was introduced for rebuilding of permanent bridge, with suitable waterway. Work on some bridges has been completed and remaining are expected to be completed by October, 1985.

**A.C First Class in Tamil Nadu Express**

1497. SHRI R. SAMBASIVA RAO: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government propose to introduce AC first class in Tamil Nadu Express; and

(b) if so, by when it is likely to be introduced?

THE MINISTER OF RAILWAYS (SHRI BANSI LAL): (a) No Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

**External Cell of the Delhi University**

1498. SHRI SHRIKANT VERMA: Will the Minister of EDUCATION be pleased to state:

(a) the courses in which the External Cell of Delhi University imparts education in M.A.;

(b) whether the University proposes to impart education for M.A. (English) through its External Cell; and

(c) if not, what are the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF EDUCATION (SHRI K. C. PANT): (a) The External Candidates Cell of Delhi University enrolls students for examinations