

Providing employment to land-owners by railway

4750. SHRIMATI JHARNA DAS BAIDYA: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether land-owners were assured to be provided with employment in railways if they gave their land to railways;

(b) if so, the number of kilometers of land railway needs to acquire for the purpose of laying new railway lines in the country, State-wise and the present status thereof; and

(c) the total number of family members of land-owners likely to get employment in railways?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI E. AHAMMED): (a) Railways will provide employment to land losers as per the detailed policy guidelines and eligibility criteria which are under finalization.

(b) and (c) There are more than 300 ongoing new line, gauge conversion and doubling projects which are in different stages of progress. On many of these projects, details will be known only after completion of final location survey and its finalization.

Incidents of eve-teasing in trains

4751. SHRI AMIR ALAM KHAN: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that cases of eve-teasing and manhandling with women in the passenger trains have been on rise particularly in the national capital region;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) the number of cases reported during 2009-10 in this regard;

(d) the details of action taken by Railways in this regard; and

(e) whether Railways proposes to deploy more force in such trains to avoid recurrence of such incidents in future?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI E. AHAMMED): (a) to (e) The information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the Sabha.

Leasing of real estate assets

4752. SHRI N. R. GOVINDARAJAR: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Railways plan to lease some of its real estate assets and aim to get Rs. 600 crores this fiscal;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether Railway land development authority have finalised lease deal of 15 plots in different metros and tier III cities on long lease and have also identified a land bank of 1900 hectares for development and have appointed 15 consultants for the purpose; and