

**Demolition of old Rail bridge over  
Rajahmundry**

\*248. SHRI K. V. R. S. BALA SUBBA  
RAO:†

SHRI KRISHNA MOHAN-  
BHAMIDIPATI :

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be  
pleased to state :

(a) whether Government propose to de-  
molish the original rail bridge over river  
Godavari at Rajahmundry after the com-  
pletion of the third rail bridge there; and

(b) whether any study has been made  
for conversion of the original rail bridge  
at Rajahmundry into a road bridge ?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE  
MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS AND IN  
THE DEPARTMENT OF PARLIAMEN-  
TARY AFFAIRS (SHRI MALLIKAR-  
JUN) : (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) No, Sir.

SHRI K.V.R.S. BALA SUBBA RAO :  
Sir, will the Minister be pleased to give  
the details of the cost of dismantling the  
old bridge after the completion of this  
new bridge ? Is it not possible to hand  
over the old bridge to the State Govern-  
ment for conversion into a road bridge ?

SHRI MALLIKARJUN : Sir, it is true  
that after the completion of the present  
bridge, the old bridge which is 80 years  
old will be dismantled. If the State Gov-  
ernment wants, it is upto the State Gov-  
ernment to process it and make a request.  
If the State Government desires to con-  
vert that into a road bridge, it is upto  
them to come with the proposals which  
will be considered by the Railway Minis-  
try.

SHRI K.V.R.S. BALA SUBBA RAO :  
Sir, the local municipalities of Kovour  
Rajahmundry approached the Government

to maintain the bridge. Will the Govern-  
ment be pleased to hand it over to the  
State Government ?

SHRI MALLIKARJUN : Sir, the mu-  
nicipalities are a part and parcel of the  
State Government itself. Once the con-  
struction of the new bridge is over, it is  
upto them because the cost of the gir-  
ders and other things has also to be paid.  
Somuch so it is left to the State Govern-  
ment or the municipalities or any local  
bodies to take a decision about converting  
it into a road bridge.

MR. DEPUTY CHAIRMAN : Next  
Question.

**Gift of Uniforms from Japan for Asian  
Games**

\*249. SHRI KALRAJ MISHRA:

SHRI HARISHANKAR BHA-  
BHRA:†

Will the Minister of SPORTS be pleased  
to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that a fee of  
Rs. 2,16,000 has been paid to a private  
interior decorator for designing some  
items for the Asian Games Village;

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

(c) Whether Government propose to  
accept donation from Japan in the form  
of some uniforms for athletes and if so,  
what are the reasons therefor ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE  
MINISTRY OF SUPPLY AND IN THE  
DEPARTMENT OF SPORTS (SHRI  
BUTA SINGH) : (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

(c) No, Sir.

†The Question was actually asked on  
the floor of the House by Shri K. V. R. S.  
Bala Subba Rao.

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the floor of the House by Shri Hari  
Shankar Bhabhra.