

safety categories where there is no relaxation/concession for reserved category candidates;

(c) Departmental Promotion Committees (DPCs), as far possible are constituted at regular intervals. However, in few cases, regular DPC meetings could not be held in time due to administrative difficulties in completing the necessary formalities/documentations and also due to court cases etc.

Additional bogie in Chhattisgarh Express

†1923. SHRI SHREEGOPAL VYAS: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether a large number of people of Bikaner and Jodhpur residing in Chhattisgarh have demanded to attach an additional bogie with the Chhattisgarh Express;

(b) if so, the details of consideration thereon; and

(c) whether the department would consider it *suo moto*, if not demanded?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI R. VELU): (a) to (c) Yes, Sir. 8237/8238 Bilaspur-Amritsar Chhattisgarh Express is presently running with 22 coaches. It has been planned to increase its load to 24 coaches w.e.f. 04.09.2006 8473/8474 Puri-Jaipur Express (Weekly) running via Bilaspur - Raipur has been extended to Jodhpur from 05.07.2006. This has linked Jodhpur with Chhattisgarh. Provision of additional coaches for Bikaner and Jodhpur passengers in Chhattisgarh Express is not feasible at present due to operational and resources constraints.

Rail projects

1924. SHRI DWIJENDRA NATH SHARMA: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) the details of present status of ongoing rail projects alongwith targets fixed for their completion in the country, rail-division-wise/State-wise, project-wise;

†Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.