

allowances as applicable to other railway employees.

(c) No technical qualifications is required for this post but only a certificate or diploma in Pharmacy is required, which is a professional qualification.

टनकपुर और बागेश्वर के बीच रेल लाइन का निर्माण

2809. श्री लाखन सिंह : क्या रेल मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या सरकार ने टनकपुर [जिला नैनीताल और बागेश्वर (जिला अल्मोड़ा) के बीच रेल लाइन बिछाने के लिए कोई सर्वेक्षण किया है ;

(ख) यदि हां, तो इस संबंध में ब्यौरा क्या है ;

(ग) क्या सरकार का विचार भविष्य में इन दोनों स्थानों को रेल द्वारा जोड़ने का है ; और

(घ) यदि हां, तो उसका ब्यौरा क्या है ?

रेल मंत्रालय तथा संसदीय कार्य विभाग में उप-मंत्री (श्री मल्लिकार्जुन) :

(क) जी नहीं ।

(ख) से (घ) संसाधनों की अत्यन्त तंगी के कारण इस परियोजना के निर्माण का काम शुरू करना फिलहाल संभव नहीं होगा। यदि अब कोई सर्वेक्षण किया जाता है तो भविष्य में बहुत बाद की तारीख को इस परियोजना का निर्माण शुरू करने के बारे में विचार करते समय पुराना पड़ जायेगा।

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रामपुर-नई हल्द्वानी को जोड़ने वाली रेल लाइनों का निर्माण

2810. श्री लाखन सिंह : क्या रेल मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या सरकार ने रामपुर-विलासपुर-रुद्रपुर-पन्तनगर-नई दिल्ली रेलवे लाइन के निर्माण संबंधी प्रस्ताव को अब त्याग दिया है ; और

(ख) यदि हां, तो उसके क्या कारण हैं ?

रेल मंत्रालय तथा संसदीय कार्य विभाग में उप मंत्री (श्री मल्लिकार्जुन) :

(क) रामपुर से न्यू हल्द्वानी तक (78.4 कि. मी. लम्बी) बड़े आमान की नयी लाइन के निर्माण का काम एक अनुमोदित कार्य है। रामपुर से रुद्रपुर तक काम प्रगति पर है। कुछ दूरी में निर्माण में मिट्टी डालने का काम और छोटे पुलों का निर्माण किया जा रहा है।

(ख) प्रश्न नहीं उठता।

Lack of amenities at Railway stations

2811. SHRI VITHALRAO MADHARAO JADHAV: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are aware that passenger amenities like sheds, water, tea stalls and waiting rooms are not available at the Railway Stations from Manmad to Kacheguda on South Central Railway; and

(b) if so, what are the reasons, therefor and what remedial steps are proposed to be taken in this regard?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS AND IN THE DEPARTMENT OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS (SHRI MALLIKARJUN): (a) Provision of amenities like sheds, tea stalls, waiting

rooms is taken up on a programmed basis depending upon the traffic offering at a particular station subject to availability of funds. Between Manmad and Kacheguda, there are covers over platforms at 31 stations, waiting rooms for upper class passengers at 19 stations, waiting halls for IInd class passengers at 39 stations, water coolers at 9 stations, water trolleys at 14 stations and adequate drinking water arrangements at all stations, 24 tea stalls and 4 refreshment rooms.

(b) Does not arise.

Laying of new Railway lines in Aurangabad

2812. SHRI VITHALRAO MADHARAO JADHAV: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state whether Government propose to lay new railway lines in Aurangabad Division to connect Ahmednagar-Bihar-Purli to Nanded and also Ramagundam with Nizamabad-Bodhan-Begler, Mukhed, Kandhar, Gangakhed and Purli?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS AND IN THE DEPARTMENT OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS (SHRI MALLIKARJUN): The conversion of Gangakhed-Parli Vajjnath section has been approved as a part of the Manmad-Parthani-Parli Vajjnath conversion project. A survey is in progress for construction of a B. S. lines from Ramgundum to Nizamabad. For the other sections, there are no proposals under consideration at present.

Conversion of metre gauge line into broad gauge

2813. SHRI VITHALRAO MADHARAO JADHAV: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) what is the exact period fixed for the completion of work for the conversion of Manad-Mudkhad metre gauge line into broad gauge;

(b) what are the reasons for the delay in the completion of the above works; and

(c) what are the details of programme for the conversion of Manmad-Mudkhed to Adilabad Railway line into broad gauge?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS AND IN THE DEPARTMENT OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS (SHRI MALLIKARJUN): (a) The conversion of Manmad-Aurangabad (114 Kms) section has been taken up as a first phase of the Manmad-Parbhani-Parli Vajjnath conversion project. Manmad-Aurangabad section is expected to be completed during the 7th Plan period subject to availability of funds and permanent way materials.

(b) Constraints of resources.

(c) No target dates have so far been fixed in view of the serious constraint of funds. The conversion of the entire Manmad-Parbhani-Parli Vajjnath section will cover 354 Kms, and require about Rs. 70 crores at present day price level. The work on the section beyond Aurangabad upto Parbhani-Parli Vajjnath will be taken up in the next phase, and efforts will be made to complete it in the 7th Plan period, subject to availability of funds. The Parbhani-Mudkhed-Adilabad section is not yet approved for conversion into B. G.

Award of bookstall contract

2814. SHRI ABDUL REHMAN SHEIKH: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to refer to reply to Unstarred Question No. 1144 given in the Rajya Sabha on the 21st July, 1982 and state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the present contract of Static Mobile bookstall was allotted to a registered partnership of unemployed graduates (M/s. A. S. Manoj & Co.) through normal procedure and after confirming their eligibility by the competent authorities and executed agreements;