

Western Coast such as Bombay, Goa, Mangalore and Cochin; and

(b) whether Government propose to accord priority to complete this project in view of the fact that it would shorten the present, rail distance between Delhi and Cochin by about 500 Kms.?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS AND IN THE DEPARTMENT OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS (SHRI MALHARJUN): (a) and (b) Work on a new BG. Line from Apta to Roha, as a first stage of the construction of West Coast (Konkan) line (Bombay to Mangalore) is in progress. The present resources position does not permit of extension of the line further

#### गोरखपुर लखनऊ लाइन पर चलने वाली रेलगाड़ियाँ

1576. श्री सुखदेव प्रसाद : क्या रेल मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) गोरखपुर लखनऊ बड़ी रेल लाइन का उद्घाटन कब किया गया था;

(ख) जब यह मीटर लाइन थी तो इस पर कुल कितनी रेल गाड़ियाँ चला करती थी और अब उस मार्ग पर कितनी रेल गाड़ियाँ चल रही हैं;

(ग) क्या सरकार को पता है कि इस लाइन पर चलने वाली रेल गाड़ियों के लिये सभी सवारी डिब्बों तथा इंजनों का सारा इंतजाम उत्तर रेलवे मुख्यालय, लखनऊ करता है, जो कि सामान्यतया खराब होते हैं जिससे गाड़ियों के आने-जाने में काफी समय बर्बाद होता है; और

(घ) क्या यह सच है कि इस लाइन पर जो रेल गाड़ियाँ इस समय चल रही हैं वे कभी भी ठीक समय पर नहीं पहुँचती हैं और रेल अधिकारियों द्वारा उन्हें ठीक समय पर पहुँचता दिखाया जाता है?

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

(क) गोरखपुर-लखनऊ बड़े आमान की लाइन को 8-7-1981 को उद्घाटन किया गया था ।

(ख) बदल व कार्य के पूर्व, गोरखपुर गौड़ा, गौड़ा-बुढ़वल और बुढ़वल-लखनऊ खंड क्रमशः मीटर आमान की 8, 10, और 9 जोड़ी गाड़ियों से सेवित होते हैं, इस समय, गोरखपुर-बस्ती और बस्ती-लखनऊ खंड बड़े आमान की 6 और 5 जोड़ी गाड़ियों से सेवित होते हैं ।

(ग) लखनऊ-गोरखपुर खंडों पर बड़े आमान की सेवाओं के लिये रेल इंजनों की व्यवस्था उत्तर और पूर्वांतर रेलों द्वारा और सवारी-डिब्बों की व्यवस्था मध्य, उत्तर और पूर्वांतर रेलों द्वारा की जाती है । इन इंजनों और डिब्बों की हालत संतोषजनक है ।

(घ) जो नहीं ।

#### Introduction of new trainse between Hyderabad and Delhi .

1577. SHRI K. V. R. S. BALA SUBBA RAO: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are aware of the difficulties being faced by passengers in coastal Andhra Pradesh due to lack of enough accommodation in trains running between Hyderabad and Delhi;

(b) if so, what steps are being taken by Government to introduce new trains to lessen the present congestion between coastal district and Hyderabad; and

(c) what other steps are being taken by Government to lessen congestion in trains between Hyderabad and Delhi?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS AND IN THE DEPARTMENT OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS (SHRI MALIKARJUN): (a) to (c) The existing services have been found to cater by and large satisfactorily to the present level of traffic. 123/124 A.P. Express was double-headed from 6-5-81 and the load of 7/8 Godavari Express was augmented by one second class sleeper coach from 1-7-81. Also one first class coach was replaced by one AC 2ifter on 7/8 Express from 5-6-81. Due to line capacity constraints, on sections enroute, it is not feasible to introduce an additional train between Waltair and Hyderabad. However, there is a proposal under examination to increase frequency of 123/ 124 A.P. Express and action as found feasible will be taken.

#### **Railway accident on NF Railway**

1578. SHRI ROSEN KAKATI: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) the number of passengers killed, injured in NF Railway during the last six months due to (i) derailment, (ii) other accidents such as bomb blasts and train collision etc;

(b) the total number of cases of robberies, thefts during the above period in NF Railway; and

(c) the amount of compensation paid to the families of the deceased and to the injured passengers?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS AND IN THE DEPARTMENT OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS (SHRI MALIKARJUN): (a) The number of passengers killed and injured in accidents during the last 6 months, i.e.

January to June, 1982 on the Northeast Frontier Railway is given below:

Category of accident	Casualty	
	Killed	Injured
Train derailment	2	2
Train collision	3	6
Bomb Blasts	1	3

(b) 14 cases of dacoities/robberies and 36 cases of theft of passengers' belongings from running trains were reported on N.F. Railway during January—June, 1982.

(c) No compensation has been paid so far. However, a sum of Rs. 10,150/- has been paid as *ex gratia* to the next of kin of those killed and to the injured persons.

#### **Premium paid to railway companies by NF. Railway**

1579. SHRI ROBIN KAKATI: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) the amount of rent/premium per annum paid by N.F. Railway to the (i) Chaparmukh-Silghat and (ii) the Katakhal-Lalabazar railway companies respectively for management of these two above Companies; and

(b) what are the amount fixed for acquisition of these two railway companies?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS AND IN THE DEPARTMENT OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS (SHRI MALIKARJUN): (a) In accordance with the agreements entered into with the Chaparmukh-Silghat Railway Company Limited and Katakhal-Lalabazar Railway Company Limited, the Central Government has to ensure a