

### Underground railway project for Bombay

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Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have devised any alternative scheme to the abandoned underground railway project for meeting the fast growing demand of commuters in Bombay; and

(b) if so, what are the details in this regard and by when it is likely to be implemented?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI MALLIKARJUN): (a) and (b) A statement is attached.

#### Statement

(a) and (b) The long term solution for the transport problem in Bombay is the provision of two new Corridors viz. Corridor VI and Corridor VII as proposed by the Metropolitan Transport Project (Railways) Organisation Bombay. However, the work relating to these new Corridors could not be taken up immediately due to constraint of resources. In the meantime, in order to give some immediate relief to the commuters in Bombay, a small scheme costing Rs. 9 crores related to the construction of a rail fly-over at Bandra and optimisation of Harbour Branch was taken up in October 1978 and the work is likely to be completed by middle of 1981. This will facilitate the movement of commuters living in the residential areas north of Bandra to their places of work in the Central Business District near Victoria Terminus as well as in the Chembur—Mankhurd area.

In addition to the above, the M.T.P. (Railways) Organisation

Bombay submitted the traffic-cum-engineering survey report of Bandra-Kurla Rail Link in October 1978 and are at present conducting techno-economic feasibility survey for extending the railway line from Mankhurd to Belapur (Panvel Creek) and from Panvel Creek to Panvel Town. The feasibility report is expected to ready shortly.

### रेलवे के ठेकों का दिया जाना

489. श्री हुकमदेव नारायण यादव :  
क्या रेल मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) प्रत्येक रेलवे में जनवरी से जून, 1980 तक गैर-सरकारी ठेकेदारों को कितनी राशि के ठेके दिए गए तथा उक्त अवधि के दौरान ठेकेदारों को कितनी राशि का भुक्तान किया गया ; और

(ख) इस सम्बन्ध में विभागीय स्वीकृति देने के लिए आदेश जारी करने में हुये विलम्ब के कारण स्वीकृत राशि से अधिक कितनी राशि देनी पड़ी ?

#### † [Award of railway contracts

489. SHRI HUKMDEO NARAYAN YADAV: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) what is the amount involved in the contracts given to private contractors from January to June, 1980 on each railways and how much has been paid to the contractors during the said period; and

(b) what is the amount that had to be paid in excess of the agreed amount due to delay in issuing the orders communicating departmental approval in this regard?

रेल मंत्रालय में उपमंत्री (श्री मल्लिकार्जुन) : (क) और (ख). सूचना इकट्ठी की जा रही है और सभा-पटल पर रख दी जाएगी।

† [ ] English translation.