

for the M.G. line Chitradurg-Rayadurg has been included in the budget 1980-81. Commencement of construction of this line is also under consideration in consultation with Planning Commission.

**Capitation Fees charged by Medical Colleges in Karnataka**

768. SHRI MULKA GOVINDA REDDY: Will the Minister of HEALTH be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are aware that the private medical colleges in Karnataka are charging capitation or a special tuition fee upto rupees one lakh and fifty thousand for admission in the medical colleges, disregarding Central Government's advice to stop collection of capitation fees; and

(b) if so, what steps the Central Government propose to take to completely eradicate this practice?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH (SHRI NIHAR RANJAN LASKAR): (a) Yes.

(b) The Government of India has taken up the matter with the Govern-

ment of Karnataka to put an end to this practice.

**Wagons shortage in Tripura**

769. SHRI SYED SAHEDULLAH: SHRI SANGDOPAL LEPCHA:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are aware that cement and other essential commodities are not reaching Tripura due to shortage of wagons;

(b) if so, the steps taken by Government in this regard;

(c) the number of wagon's which carried essential commodities to Tripura during the last five months, month-wise?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI MALLIKARJUN): (a) No.

(b) Does not arise.

(c) The number of wagons which carried some of the essential commodities to Tripura during the last five months is as under:

Commodity	January, 80	February, 80	March, 80	April, 80	May, 80
Foodgrains . . . . .	425	592	441	549	929
Salt . . . . .	34	127	117	51	36
Sugar . . . . .	13	35	45	58	38
Cement . . . . .	49	46	82	264	75
Pulses . . . . .	10	23	27	3	4
Edible Oil . . . . .	9	9	20	8	27
Steel . . . . .	12	33	41	31	32