रेल मंत्रालय में राज्य मंत्री (श्री शिव नारायण) : (क) 30 जुलाई, 1977 को।

(ख) नयी लिफ्ट के सितम्बर, 1978 तक लग जाने की संभावना है।

†[THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI SHEO NARAIN): (a) On 30-9-77.

(b) The new Lift is likely to be installed by September, 1978.]

रामपुर से हल्द्वानी तक रेलवे लाइन का बिछाया जाना

1426. **श्री लखन सिंह** : क्या रेल मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) रामपुर से हल्द्वानी तक बड़ी लाइन के बिछाने और मुरादाबाद-रामनगर रेल लाइन को बड़ी लाइन में बदलने के लिए क्या प्राक्कलन थे और 1976-77 और 1977-78 के दौरान उक्त परियोजनाओं पर कितना व्यय किया गया तथा चालू वित्त वर्ष के लिए कितनी धनराशि निर्धारित की गयी है ;

(ख) उपरोक्त दो रेल लाइनों के निर्माण कार्य में अब तक हुई प्रगति का ब्यौरा क्या है ;

(ग) इन रेल लाइनों के निर्माण कार्य के पूरा हो जाने के पश्चात् हलद्वानी तथा रामनगर का किन-किन स्थानों से सीधा रेल संपर्क हो जाएगा ; और

(घ) इन दोनों रेल लाइनों के निर्माण कार्य के कब तक पूरा हो जाने की संभावना है ?

†[Laying of railway line from Rampur to Haldwani

1426. SHRI LAKHAN SINGH: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) the estimates for laying a broad gauge line from Rampur to Haldwani and conversion of Moradabad-Ramnagar railway line into broad gauge line and the expenditure incurred on these projects during 1976-77 and 1977-78 together with the amount earmarked for the current financial year;

(b) the details of the progress made so far in the construction of the above mentioned two railway lines;

(c) the names of the places which will be having direct railway link with Haldwani and Ramnagar after the completion of these railway lines; and

(d) by when the construction work on these two railway lines is likely to be completed?]

रेल मंत्रालय में राज्य मंत्री (श्री शिव नारायण) : (क) और (ख) एक विवरण संलग्न है। [परिशिष्ट 106, अनुपत्र संख्या 80 देखिये]

(ग) रामपुर-हल्द्वानी लाइन पर बड़ी लाइन के स्टेशन इस प्रकार हैं :—चामरौआ, केमरी, बिलासपुर, कोशलगंज, रुद्रपुर, टाण्डा, लालकुआ और हल्द्वानी। आमान-परिवर्तन के बाद वर्तमान स्टेशनों को मुरादाबाद-रामनगर लाइन पर बनाये रखा जायेगा।

(घ) धन की उपलब्धता के बारे में अनिश्चितता को देखते हुए यह बताना कठिन है कि मुरादाबाद से हल्द्वानी और रामपुर से हल्द्वानी तक बड़ी लाइन बिछाने का निर्माण कार्य कब तक पूरा हो जायेगा। नई लाइनों के निर्माण/वर्तमान मीटर लाइनों/छोटी लाइनों को बड़ी लाइनों में बदलने के लिए पहले ही काफी वचन दिये जा चुके हैं और विनिश्चय यह किया गया है कि सभी निर्माण

†[ ] English translation.

कार्यों को एक साथ शुरू कर देने की बजाय कुछ परियोजनाओं पर ही पूरा ध्यान केन्द्रित किया जाये। इस संबंध में प्रस्ताव यह है कि जो परियोजनाएं पहले से शुरू की जा चुकी है उन पर काफी प्रगति हो जाने के बाद ही इस परियोजना का निर्माण कार्य शुरू किया जाये।

†[THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI SHEO NARAIN): (a) and (b) A statement is attached. [*See* Appendix CVI, Annexure No. 80.]

(c) Broad gauge station on Rampur-Haldwani line are Chamraua, Kemri, Bilaspur, Kausalganj, Rudrapur, Tanda, Lalkua and Haldwani. The existing station will be retained on the Moradabad-Ramnagar line after gauge conversion.

(d) In view of the uncertainty regarding availability of funds it is difficult to give the time by which work for laying BG railway line from Moradabad to Haldwani and Rampur to Haldwani will commence. Heavy commitments have already been entered into for construction of new lines/conversion of existing metre gauge/narrow gauge lines into broad gauge and it has been decided to concentrate on some of the projects instead of taking up all at the same time. It is proposed to take up the construction work on this project after the projects already in hand have made substantial progress.]

Fire in a gas godown in Delhi

1427. SHRI KALP NATH RAI: Will the Minister of PETROLEUM, CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are aware about the incident of leakage of gas from a cooking gas cylinder which caused a fire in a gas godown in Delhi on the 23rd July, 1978 resulting in damage to property and destruction of about one hundred and fifty gas cylinders;

(b) what steps Government propose to take to prevent the recurrence of such incidents; and

(c) what action Government have taken to punish the company that produced the defective cylinder?

THE MINISTER OF PETROLEUM, CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS (SHRI H. N. BAHUGUNA): (a) to (c) The fire accident involving cooking gas cylinders took place on the night of 22nd July, 1978 in a godown belonging to an Indane dealer near Model Town, Delhi. The cause of the fire is being investigated by the Chief Controller of Explosives. The LPG cylinder storage godown of the distributor has been approved by the Department of Explosives after obtaining a certificate from the local Fire Services Department regarding the suitability of the site. The cylinders and the valves are manufactured in accordance with rigid specifications laid down by the ISI. The cylinders are also required, under the Gas Cylinder Rules, 1940, framed under the Indian Explosives Act, 1884, to be maintained in good condition. Among other precautions, no fire or any other source of ignition should be allowed anywhere within the prescribed safety zone of the godown. If the prescribed norms are observed the possibility of a fire occurring in a godown is very remote. An officer of the Department of Explosives has now been specially deputed by the Chief Controller of Explosives to inspect each and every LPG cylinder storage in and around Delhi and ensure that suitable steps are taken to get the defects rectified as expeditiously as possible. A meeting has also been held by the Chief Controller of Explosives with the representatives of the Oil Companies for reiterating strict observance of the safety rules and conditions stipulated under the Gas Cylinder Rules, not only by the Oil Companies but also by the distributors.

†[ ] English translation.