

(e) and (f) Yes, Sir. A departmental inquiry by Junior Administrative Grade Officers has been conducted. As per the Inquiry Committee's report the tractor driver has been held responsible for violation of provisions laid down in Section 131 of the Motor Vehicles Act 1988 and Section 161 of The Railways Act 1989.

Refund of cancellation of fake tickets

1201. SHRI LEKHRAJ BACHANI:

SHRI JAYANTILAL BAROT:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that various divisions in Western Railway are making refunds on cancellation of fake tickets;

(b) if so, whether his Ministry has made any enquiry and registered any case;

(c) if so, the details thereof; and

(d) the action taken or proposed to be taken in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI R. VELU): (a) No, Sir. Only at Bharuch Reservation Office, under Vadodara Division of Western Railway one case was detected where refunds were granted fraudulently by way of cancellation of fake tickets.

(b) After a preliminary investigation was conducted by Western Railway Vigilance, the complaint has been registered by Superintendent of Police, Central Bureau of Investigation, Gandhinagar. Railway Protection Force, Vadodara Division, Western Railway has also registered the case.

(c) and (d) The suspected officials have been placed under suspension.

V-Satellite Hub

1202. SHRI C. PERUMAL: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have proposed to set up V-Satellite Hub to provide V-Set connectivity to remote and inaccessible locations; and

(b) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI R. VELU): (a) and (b) Yes, Sir. Ministry of Railways are in the process of setting up a Railway owned Satellite Hub for Freight Operation Information System (FOIS) for providing connectivity to remote locations, where reliable means of communication are not available. Railways, for the present, have identified about 200 such locations. The Hub is proposed to be located in Delhi.