

**Construction of a Railway Line from Modasa to Kapadvanj**

649. SHRI IBRAHIM KALANIYA :

SHRI Y. M. MAKWANA :

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state :

(a) whether Government have received any memorandum from the public for the construction of a railway line from Modasa to Kapadvanj; and

(b) if so, what action Government have taken in this regard ?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI MOHD. SHAFI QURESHI) : (a) Yes.

(b) A traffic survey has been sanctioned for the construction of a metre gauge line from Shamlaji Road to Modasa and Kapadvanj and alternatively for the conversion of Nadiad-Kapadvanj N.G. section to B.G. and its extension upto Modasa. This proposal will be further considered after the survey is completed and the report thereon is examined from all aspects.

**Memorandum from All India Railway Telegraph Signallers Association**

650. SHRI SANAT KUMAR RAHA : Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state :

(a) whether Government have received any memorandum from the All India Railway Telegraph Signallers Association regarding their future prospects in service ; and

(b) if so, the reaction of Government thereto ?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI MOHD. SHAFI QURESHI) : (a) Yes. The memorandum in question is in the form of a representation against the recommendations of the III Pay Commission.

(b) The Pay Commission's recommendations, including those relating to Railway Signallers, are receiving the

attention of Government, whose decision in the matter will be available in due course.

**Accident insurance scheme for train passengers**

641. SHRI KALI MUKHERJEE :

DR. Z. A. AHMAD :

SHRI A. G. KULKARNI :

SHRI J. S. TILAK :

SHRI KOTA PUNNAIAH :

SHRI CHANDRA SHEKHAR :

SHRI KRISHAN KANT :

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to refer to the reply to Unstarred question No. 824 given in the Rajya Sabha on the 5th March, 1973 and state whether Government have since examined the feasibility of introducing an accident insurance scheme for train passengers and if so, the details thereof ?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI MOHD. SHAFI QURESHI) : The scheme is still under examination of the Government.

**Man-days lost in railways**

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Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state,

(a) the number of man-days lost in Railways during the year 1972-73 ; and

(b) the reasons for the same ?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI MOHD. SHAFI QURESHI) : (a) and (b) The information is being collected and the same will be placed on the Table of the Sabha early.