

Meramandali-Anugul- Talcher-Chhendipada, which is to be connected with 57 members of industries based on coal, integrated steel plant and power generating unit, generating of rail traffic of 113 MTPA?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI E. AHAMMED): No, Sir.

Rail projects in Orissa

1227. SHRI RAMA CHANDRA KHUNTIA: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state by when Government will consider the sanction of projects, namely, Rupsa-Burhamara to Chakulia, Nuapada Gunapur B.G. Rail link to Theravadi (79 KM), Bansapani-Barbit rail link (79 KM) and Bansapani Barsuan (52 KM)?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI E. AHAMMED): Rupsa-Buramara is an existing broad gauge line. Buramara to Chakulia (50 km) has been sanctioned.

At present, rail link projects for Gunupur-Theruvali, Bansapani-Barbil and Barsuan-Banspani have not been sanctioned.

Construction of rail over bridges in Gujarat

1228. SHRI NATUJI HALAJI THAKOR: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government is aware of the long pending proposals for construction of more than 18 Railway over Bridges (RoBs) at busy level crossings in major cities of Gujarat, particularly at Ahmedabad, Rajkot, Surat, Bharuch and Vadodara;

(b) whether representations have been made from time to time in this context but no action has been taken so far by the railway administration;

(c) the present status of these RoBs and whether action will be taken by Government for construction of these 18 RoBs; and

(d) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI E. AHAMMED): (a) There are only three proposals, received from Road Authority of Gujrat on cost sharing basis for construction of Rail Over-Bridge (ROB), pending for sanction in railways works programme. Details are as under: