

STATEMENT

Name of Line	Length (in KMs. as given by the State Go- vernment)
Category 'A'	
1. Ahmedabad-Gandhinagar both B. G. and M. G. links	17.5
2. Rajkot-Jasdan MG	60.0
3. Bhavnagar-Tarapore BG	127.0
4. Ankleshwar-Rajpipla (conversion to BG of the existing narrow gauge line and its extension to Gora, the site of Narmada Project.)	63.0
Category 'B'	
1. Udhna-Magdala BG	7.0
2. Ahmedabad Circular railway line BG.	45.0
3. From the station on New Kandla-Jhund railway line to Jamnagar, Sikka and OKHA BG, or Viramgam-Rajkot-Jamnagar BG	207.0
4. Harij-Radhanpur BG	264.0
5. Mahuva-Talaja-Bhavnagar MG	33.4
6. Rajula-Jafrabad MG	100.0
7. Bilimora-Waghai (conversion to BG)	25.0
Category 'C'	
1. Kapadvanj-Talod MG	63.0
2. Kunkavav-Amreli MG	50.0
3. Chalola-Khamba-Daben-Jafrabad MG	30.0
4. Saradia-Kutiyana-Katkola MG	67.0
5. Vijapur-Himmatnagar MG	83.0
6. Extension of Vasad-Kathana to Cambay BG	20.0
7. Dohad-Jhelod-Banswara BG	25.0
8. Keshod-Mangrol MG	42.0
9. Joravarangar-Sayla (conversion from Narrow Gauge to Metre Gauge)	27.0
10. Gandhidham-Mandvi via Anjar and Mundhra MG	28.0
11. Anjar-Lakhpat MG	80.0
	130.0

PROTECTION OF RAILWAY OFFICIALS

773. DR. (MRS.) MANGLADEVI TALWAR : Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state :

(a) the number of cases of attacks on railway officials by passengers and the public reported during the last three months; and

(b) the details of the special measures for protection of railway officials proposed to be taken by Government ?

THE MINISTER OF RAILWAYS
(DR. RAM SUBHAG SINGH) . (a)
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(b) Attacks on persons relate to 'law and order'. However, since Railways are vitally concerned with this aspect also, assistance is given to State Police by the Railway Protection Force to the extent possible (i) when there is an apprehension of disturbance or an information is received to that effect ; and (ii) when special ticket-checking drives are conducted. Active liaison and co-ordination is also maintained with the Government Railway Police authorities with a view to ensuring that they take adequate measures for the protection of Railway officials

SETTING UP OF GAS CYLINDER UNIT

774. DR. (MRS.) MANGLADEVI TALWAR : Will the Minister of INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT, INTERNAL TRADE AND COMPANY AFFAIRS be pleased to state :

(a) whether Government have considered the report of the National Industrial Development Corporation to set up a gas cylinder unit in the public sector; and

(b) if so, what are the details thereof ?

THE MINISTER OF INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT, INTERNAL TRADE AND COMPANY AFFAIRS (SHRI FAKHRUDDIN ALI AHMED) :
(a) and (b) The report is still under consideration.

SUPPLY OF WAGONS TO RANIGANJ-ASANSOL COAL BELT

775. SHRI KALYAN ROY : Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state :

(a) whether Government's attention has been drawn to the editorial in the *Economic*

Times dated the 12th July, 1969 entitled "Dilemma in wagons" ; and

(b) if so, what steps have been taken by Government to supply adequate number of wagons to the Raniganj-Asansol coal belt ?

THE MINISTER OF RAILWAYS
(DR. RAM SUBHAG SINGH) : (a)
Yes, Madam.

(b) Loading figures of 1967-68, 1968-69 and the first three months of 1969-70 from the Raniganj-Asansol coal belt, i.e. the portion of West Bengal-Bihar coal fields served by Asansol Division of Eastern Railway and Radhanagar and Chowrashi spheres of South Eastern Railway, are given below :

	Daily average loading
1967-68	2,340
1968-69	2,392
1969-70 (April to June)	2,442

These figures indicate progressive improvement in coal loading in 1968-69 and so far in 1969-70.

At present all sponsored demands from these fields are being met in full.

DANGER TO RAILWAY LINES DUE TO UNDERGROUND FIRES IN RANIGANJ COALFIELD

776. SHRI KALYAN ROY : Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state :

(a) how far is the main railway line from the place in the Raniganj coalfield where an underground fire was recently detected ;

(b) whether there is a danger of disruption of railway service because of the fire ; and

(c) if so, the steps proposed to be taken to protect the railway lines from such underground fires ?

THE MINISTER OF RAILWAYS
(DR. RAM SUBHAG SINGH) : (a)
The siding which is the main railway line in the vicinity is 22 ft. away from the underground fire.

(b) Yes, there is likelihood of the supply of wagons to the collieries/industries being totally suspended if the fire spreads further towards the line.

(c) Coal Board, Director General of Mines (Safety) and loaders involved in the siding have been requested to take necessary protective measures.

†क्रमानुसार पंचवर्षीय योजनाओं में योजना के लक्ष्यों में विफलता

266. श्री जगदम्बी प्रसाद यादव :

श्री मान सिंह वर्मा :

क्या औद्योगिक विकास, आन्तरिक व्यापार और समवाय-कार्य मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या यह सच है कि एक के बाद एक पंचवर्षीय योजनाओं के बावजूद उन वर्षों में औद्योगिक उत्पादन बढ़ने के बजाय घटता गया है ;

(ख) यदि हां, तो उसके क्या कारण हैं ; और

(ग) क्या सरकार भविष्य में योजनाओं का वार्षिक और पंचवर्षीय सिंहावलोकन किया करेगी ?

‡[†FAILURE OF PLAN TARGETS
SUCCESSIVE FIVE YEAR PLANS

266. SHRI J. P. YADAV :

SHRI MAN SINGH VARMA :

Will the Minister of INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT, INTERNAL TRADE AND COMPANY AFFAIRS be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that in spite of successive Five Year Plans the industrial production instead of increasing has decreased during these years ;

(b) if so, what are the reasons therefor ; and

(c) whether Government propose to make annual and five yearly evaluations of the Plans in future ?]

†Transferred from the 24th July, 1969.

‡[] English translation.