

PURCHASE OF PLOT BY RUBBER BOARD

262. SHRI P. K. KUMARAN : Will the Minister of COMMERCE be pleased to state :

(a) whether the Rubber Board, Kottayam, has, last year purchased any plot of land for its use; and

(b) what are the details of the purchase ?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE (SHRI S. V. RAMASWAMY) : (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

CONSUMPTION OF COAL

263. SHRI SURJIT SINGH ATWAL : Will the Minister of STEEL AND MINES be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that Government of India have asked the State Governments to find way for consumption of coal; and

(b) if so, the progress so far achieved in the matter ?

THE MINISTER OF STEEL AND MINES (SHRI N. SANJIVA REDDY) : (a) and (b) Yes. It was suggested to some of the State Governments, where large capacity for coal production has been developed, that they should encourage the growth of industries that consume coal. This suggestion was made in November, 1964. It is too early to assess the results of this suggestion. The State Governments have been asked to intimate the action taken by them in this matter.

हावड़ा-दिल्ली एक्सप्रेस का रुका रहना

264. श्री चन्द्र शेखर : क्या रेल मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या यह सच है कि 11 अप हावड़ा-दिल्ली एक्सप्रेस 30 और 31

जनवरी, 1965 को इटावा स्टेशन पर लगभग 14 घण्टे रुकी रही;

(ख) क्या जसवन्तनगर में यह गाड़ी फिर एक घण्टे के लिये रुकी रही; और

(ग) क्या यह सम्भव नहीं था कि इस गाड़ी को कानपुर वापस ले जाकर लखनऊ के रास्ते दिल्ली भेजा जाता ?

†[DETENTION TO HOWRAH-DELHI EXPRESS

264. SHRI CHANDRA SHEKHAR : Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that 11 Up Howrah-Delhi Express was detained at Etawah Station for about 14 hours on the 30th and 31st January, 1965;

(b) whether the train was again detained for an hour at Jaswant Nagar; and

(c) whether it was not possible to take the train back to Kanpur and then divert it to Delhi via Lucknow ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (DR. RAM SUBHAG SINGH) : (a) to (c) On 30th January 1965 at 20.37 hours, there was a collision between two goods trains between Bhadan and Kaurara stations on the Kanpur Central—Tundla section of Northern Railway. As a result, both up and down lines were blocked and through communication on the section interrupted. 11 Up Howrah-Delhi Express, which left Kanpur Central right time at 21.00 hours on 30th January 1965 had, therefore, to be controlled at Etawah from 23.14 hours. On 31st January 1965 when the down line was cleared at 12.45 hours and through single line working was introduced, 11 Up Express left Etawah at 13.30 hours after a detention of 14 hours and 16 minutes. The train was again controlled at Jaswantnagar station at 13.53 hours and left there at 15.47 hours after the passage of all down trains which were waiting.

† [] English translation.