

(b) if so, how much time it will take for its doubling?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI SHAH NAWAZ KHAN): (a) Of the 94 mile long section between Anuppur and Bilaspur, 14.5 miles portion between Khongsara and Khodri only is being doubled, to cater for the increase in traffic expected by the end of Third Plan.

(b) Upto March 1966.

UPGRADATION OF POSTS IN TICKET CHECKING BRANCH OF JABALPUR DIVISION

*26. SHRI NIRANJAN SINGH: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have taken into consideration the strength of Conductors for the purpose of upgradation of posts on an *ad hoc* basis in the Ticket Checking Branch in the Jabalpur Division of the Central Railway; and

(b) if not, what are the reasons therefor?

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

(b) The category of conductors is quite distinct from the Travelling Ticket Examiners and Ticket Collectors.

आगरा तथा बीकानेर के बीच एक गाड़ी चलाने का प्रस्ताव

*२७. श्री राम सहाय : क्या रेल मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या आगरा तथा बीकानेर के बीच बीकानेर मेल नामक एक सीधी गाड़ी

चलाने का कोई प्रस्ताव सरकार के विचारधीन है ; और

(ख) यदि है, तो यह गाड़ी कब तक चल सकेगी ?

†[PROPOSAL FOR A TRAIN BETWEEN AGRA AND BIKANER]

*27. SHRI RAM SAHAI: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is any proposal under Government's consideration to introduce a through train between Agra and Bikaner to be called as the Bikaner Mail; and

(b) if so, by when the train is likely to start?

रेल मंत्रालय में उपमंत्री (श्री शाह नवाज खाँ) : (क) जी नहीं ।

(ख) सवाल नहीं उठता ।

†[THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI SHAH NAWAZ KHAN): (a) No, Sir,

(b) Does not arise.]

OPENING OF NEW TRACKS ON S.E. RAILWAY TO PASSENGER TRAFFIC

*28. SHRI DHANANJOY MOHANTY: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state the time by when Government propose to open the Sambalpur-Titilagarh and the Rourkela-Barsua section of the newly constructed tracks on the South Eastern Railway to passenger traffic?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI S. V. RAMASWAMY): The Sambalpur-Titilagarh line is expected to be opened to passenger traffic by the end of November, 1963. There is, however, no proposal to open the Rourkela-Barsua line to passenger traffic in the near future.