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(b) whether there is any provision for double railway track over Bogibicum-road bridge over river Brahmaputra;

(c) whether there is any plan to introduce superfast express trains between Guwahati and Howrah and Guwahati and New Delhi;

(d) whether his Ministry is considering to introduce super fast goods train upto Tinsukia under Northeast Frontier Railway to reach essential commodities for the people of Northeast?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI R. VELU): (a) No, Sir.

(b) Yes, Sir.

(c) No, Sir.

(d) No, Sir.

Railway Zone in Kerala

697. SHRI N.K. PREMACHANDRAN: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government consider to allot a railway zone based in Kerala;

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

(c) whether Government propose to constitute either any new railway zones or railway divisions attached with any Railways in the country; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI R. VELU): (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

(c) Yes, Sir.

(d) A new Division with Headquarters at Salem in Southern Railway has been proposed. However, the detailed territorial jurisdiction of the proposed Salem division has not yet been finalized.