

Halt of South Bound trains at Wankaner

747. SHRI LALITBHAI MEHTA:

SHRIMATI SAVITA SHARDA:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the proposal to give a halt of South Bound trains from Hapa and Rajkot at Wankaner were received by the Ministry;

(b) whether the proposal has been scrutinised and decision taken;

(c) what are the parameters of commercial viability of giving a stoppage and reservation quota to such trains; and

(d) whether the department is sending stereo type replies to representations made for stoppage and reservation quota in such cases?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI DIGVIJAY SINGH): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The proposal has been examined but not found feasible.

(c) Adequate traffic, operational feasibility, availability of alternate services, etc.

(d) Proposals are being scrutinised at various levels and reply is given with due care.

Construction of Guruvayur-Kuttippuram rail line

748. SHRI J. CHITHARANJAN:

SHRI V.V. RAGHAVAN:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that there is a long pending demand for construction of Guruvayur-Kuttippuram railway line in Kerala; and

(b) if so, the details thereof and Government's reaction thereto?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI DIGVIJAY SINGH): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The work was sanctioned as doubling project, but consequent