

(b) The scheme of Model station was in vogue between June, 1999 and November, 2008. Thereafter, scheme of Adarsh station has been introduced.

(c) All the above mentioned stations have been developed as Model station.

(d) Does not arise.

Passenger train between India and Bangladesh

1390. SHRI SUKHENDU SEKHAR ROY: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether any proposal is under consideration of Railways to introduce passenger trains between India and Bangladesh through Singhabad railway station situated at Indo-Bangla border, P.S. Habibpur, District Malda in West Bengal to have a better connectivity with North Bengal and North East region;

(b) if so, how soon; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI BHARATSINH SOLANKI):

(a) No, Sir.

(b) and (c) Do not arise.

Manipulations in Reservation System

1391. SHRI NANDI YELLAIAH: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it has recently been revealed that the tatkal and advance reservation systems of Railways are being heavily manipulated thereby denying genuine users easy and urgent access to the facility; and

(b) if so, the various fool-proof technical measures introduced recently in the entire railway passenger booking systems, so that, manipulations in booking of reservation tickets by passengers under tatkal and advance reservation is totally avoided?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI BHARATSINH SOLANKI):

(a) Some reports relating to functioning of Advance Reservation system and Tatkal reservation facility of Indian Railways have come to notice.