

(b) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS (SHRI SRIKANT JENA): (a) and (b) Formulation of policy for existing urea units beyond New Pricing Scheme-Stage-III is under consideration of Government.

Railway objectives in five year plans

*332. SHRI UPENDRA KUSHWAHA: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) the major objectives for the Railway sector in the Eleventh Five Year Plan and the extent to which Railways have been able to achieve those objectives;
- (b) whether Railways have formulated objectives for Twelfth Five Year Plan;
- (c) if so, the details thereof;
- (d) the details of measures taken to improve amenities for passengers; and
- (e) the steps taken to check train accidents including those due to human error?

THE MINISTER OF RAILWAYS (SHRI MUKUL ROY): (a) The major objectives of the Eleventh Five Year Plan were capacity creation by construction of new lines, doubling, gauge conversion and electrification, strengthening of High Density Network (HDN), enhancing acquisition of rolling stock acquisition, improving service levels and technological up-gradation. The achievements in the Eleventh plan *vis-a-vis* targets set during Mid Term Appraisal are given below:

Fixed Infrastructure creation:

Item	Target for XIth Plan set during Mid Term Appraisal	Likely achievement in the XIth Plan
New Lines	2000	2207
Gauge Conversion*	6000	5321
Doubling	2500	2758
Railway Electrification	4500	4501

* Gauge conversion works fell short of target as increased emphasis was given on New Lines and Doubling.

Projects to provide rail connectivity to remote areas and to decongest the system through doubling.

Rolling Stock Acquisition:

Item	Target for XIth Plan set during Mid Term Appraisal	Likely achievement in the XIth Plan
Wagons	62000	64518
Coaches (including EMU/MEMU/DEMU**	19863	17234
Diesel Loco	1019	1304
Electric Loco	1205	1200

** The main reason for short fall in coach production *vis-a-vis* targets is less acquisition from sources other than Production Units of Railways and capacity constraints in some of the Production Units.

(b) and (c) The proposed objectives of the Twelfth Five Year Plan for the Railways sector proposed by Ministry of Railways to Planning Commission are improving safety, modernization and capacity augmentation.

(d) Improvement of passenger amenities is a continuous and ongoing activity based on the volume of passengers, traffic handled at the station, inter-se priority of works etc. Measures have been taken to augment and improve facilities at stations like Retiring Rooms, Waiting Halls, Foot Over Bridges, Booking Windows, Water Coolers, Signages etc.

(e) All possible steps are undertaken on a continuing basis to prevent accidents and to enhance safety. These include timely replacement of over-aged assets, adoption of suitable technologies for up-gradation and maintenance of track, rolling stock, signaling and interlocking systems, safety drives, etc. To minimize accidents due to human error, Safety Devices/Systems on Indian Railways include provision of Block Proving Axle Counters (BPAC), Auxiliary Warning System(AWS), Vigilance Control Device (VCD), Anti Collision Device(ACD)/Train Collision Avoidance System, Train Protection Warning System (TPWS),etc.

Work on royapuram terminal

*333. SHRIMATI KANIMOZHI: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) by when the work on Royapuram terminal would commence in accordance with the commitment made in this year's Railway Budget;

(b) how the heritage would be protected, given that the Royapuram railway station is over 150 years old; and

(c) the details of Government's long term plan to decongest railway traffic in Chennai with the Royapuram terminal?