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19	Maharashtra	111
20	Manipur	34
21	Meghalaya	6
22	Odisha	77
23	Pondicherry	19
24	Punjab	73
25	Rajasthan	87
26	Sikkim	17
27	Tamil Nadu	108
28	Tripura	10
29	Uttar Pradesh	1249
30	Uttarakhand	81
31	West Bengal	594
TOTAL :		7021

Railway projects

1658. SHRI RAMA CHANDRA KHUNTIA: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) by when Ministry would take up electrification work on Rayagada-Damanjodi and Haridaspur-Paradeep B.G. Rail Link to bring train operations of single track system;

(b) whether Ministry would consider introduction of fast moving main line MEMU Trains between Bhubaneswar-Cuttack-Bhubaneswar, Bhubaneswar - Khurda Road-Puri, Bhubaneswar-Khurda Road-Berhampur, Bhubaneswar-Dhenkanal-Angul/Talcher, Cuttack-Paradeep, Rourkela-Rajgangpur-Jharsuguda, and Bhubaneswar/Cuttack-Keonjhar to cater needs of daily commuters;

(c) whether DMU services would be introduced between Titilagarh-Sambalpur-Jharsuguda section; and

(d) whether stations at aforesaid places would be remodeled and upgraded with modern passenger amenities for suburban passengers/commuters?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI K.J. SURYA PRAKASH REDDY): (a) Electrification proposal of Singapur Road-Damanjodi section is under scrutiny in Railway Board's Office and final decision shall be taken based on operational & financial considerations. Rayagada-Singapur Road is a part of sanctioned Vizianagaram-Rayagada-Titlagarh-Raipur electrification project.

As regards, electrification of Haridaspur-Paradeep rail line, land acquisition and work on major bridges of Haridaspur-Paradeep new line project has been taken up. After completion of construction of new line, electrification of the new line will be undertaken. At present, the time of taking up the electrification work of the new line cannot be given.

(b) No, Sir. At present, there is no proposal to introduce MEMU trains between Bhubaneswar-Cuttack-Bhubaneswar, Bhubaneswar - Khurda Road-Puri, Bhubaneswar-Khurda Road-Berhampur, Bhubaneswar-Dhenkanal-Angul/Talcher, Cuttack-Paradeep, Rourkela-Rajgangpur-Jharsuguda, and Bhubaneswar/Cuttack-Keonjhar.

(c) No, Sir. At present, there is no proposal to introduce DMU train between Titlagarh-Jharsuguda *via* Sambalpur.

(d) All minimum essential passenger amenities have been provided at the above railway stations, as per norms. Further, improvement/upgradation/augmentation to existing facilities at railway stations is a continuous process and works in this regard are undertaken as and when so warranted by growth in passenger traffic subject to *inter-se* priority of works and availability of funds. 20 stations belonging to the sections mentioned in part (b) of the question have been identified for upgradation under various modernization schemes such as 'Model Station Scheme', 'Modern Station Scheme' and 'Adarsh Station Scheme'.

New railway connectivity between Jogighopa and Amingaon

1659. SHRI KUMAR DEEPAK DAS: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) the present status of proposal for the new railway connectivity between Jogighopa and Amingaon *via* Barpeta, Daulasal, Hajo and Sualkuchi;