

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI K.J. SURYA PRAKASH REDDY): (a) to (c) 8 new lines, 1 gauge conversion, 10 doubling and 3 electrification projects falling fully/partly in Jharkhand have been taken up. Completion of these projects will augment railway network by 1353 km. Outlay of Rs. 574 crore has been provided for these projects during 2012-13. 163 km. of new lines and 32 km. of doubling sections are targeted for completion during 2012-13.

(d) to (f) Projects are undertaken railway-wise and not State-wise. Projects are sanctioned every year depending upon requirement/justification. Details of project to be sanctioned for whole of Twelfth Plan have not been firmed up. However, in 2012-13 *i.e* 1st year of Twelfth Plan, Manoharpur-Bondamunda (30 km.) and Rajkharswan-Chakardharpur (20 km.) doublings have been taken up in the State of Jharkhand.

Bharat Wagon and Engineering Company Limited

911. PROF. ANIL KUMAR SAHANI: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that no business has been carried out in Bharat Wagon and Engineering Company Limited (BWEL), Bihar, during the last six months;

(b) if so, the reasons therefor; and

(c) whether Government contemplates to activate BWEL and if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI K.J. SURYA PRAKASH REDDY): (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

(c) Yes, Sir.

Accidents at unmanned level crossings

912. SHRI DEVENDER GOUD T.: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that accidents at level crossings have gone up from 12,894 in 2010 to 14,611 in 2011 and would cross 16,000 as per the trends shown in the first six months of 2012;