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THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI MANOJ SINHA): (a) Representations are received at various levels of Railways administration viz. station, Divisional level, Zonal level and Railway Board's level, a compendium of which is not maintained. Introduction of train between Hoshiarpur and Haridwar is not feasible at present due to operational and resource constraints. However, passengers may avail change over at Jallandhar Cantt. & Ambala Cantt. which is connected to Haridwar.

(b) In view of the huge throw-forward of ongoing projects, limited availability of funds and competing priorities, there is no proposal to connect Garhshankar with Hoshiarpur and Hoshiarpur with Tanda at present.

## Instances of theft in trains running between New Delhi and Chennai Central

1182. DR. R. LAKSHMANAN: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it is a fact that instances of theft have increased in trains running between New Delhi and Chennai Central, particularly in G.T. Express (12616/12615) and Tamil Nadu Express (12622/12621), especially during summer vacation period of May and June;
- (b) if so, the details of theft cases registered with Railway Police (Chowki Prabhari) on this route, *i.e.* between New Delhi to Chennai Central in the month of May and June, 2014; and
  - (c) the details of progress made in the matter?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI MANOJ SINHA): (a) and (b) No, Sir. Theft of passengers' belongings in trains running between New Delhi and Chennai Central during the period of May and June, 2014 has decreased to 59 numbers in comparison to 82 numbers in the previous year. However, 17 numbers of such cases have been reported in G.T. Express and Tamilnadu Express during May and June of 2014 which is marginally higher than 16 numbers reported in 2013.

(c) Crimes reported in Railways are registered and investigated by the Government Railway Police (GRP) of the State concerned.

## Laying of railway line between Wardha and Nanded

1183. SHRI D.P. TRIPATHI: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Government has announced laying of railway line between Wardha and Nanded, if so, the details thereof; and