

South-Western Zone at Hubli instead of south Central Zone at Secunderabad?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI R. VELU): No, Sir.

**Extending the Naihati-Budge Budge Railway Line**

154. SHRI PRASANTA CHATTERJEE: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether any proposal is pending with Government to extend the existing Naihati-Budge Budge Railway line, Sealdah Division, up to Bandel under the Eastern Railway jurisdiction; and

(b) if so, the latest position of the proposal?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI R. VELU): (a) and (b) There is already a railway line connecting Bandel-Naihati with Budge Budge *via* Sealdah and Ballygunge.

**Godhra Rail Fire Incident**

†155. PROF. RAM DEO BHANDARY: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) the number of persons killed in Godhra Rail Fire accident together with the names and addresses of the passengers killed;

(b) whether according to forensic report, fire had taken place from inside the Rail coach;

(c) if so, whether Government would come out with truth of Godhra incident before the country by constituting an enquiry on the basis of this report; and

(d) if so, the details thereof, and if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI R. VELU): (a) 59 persons died out of which 52 were identified and 7 were not identified. A list of names and addresses of persons killed is enclosed as Statement (*See below*.)

(b) Yes, Sir. According to Forensic Science Laboratory report fire had taken place from inside the train coach.

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†Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.