

(c) All coaches running in passenger services including those commencing/terminating at stations in Jharkhand are within permitted service life. Replacement of coaches completing their service life is done as per requirement.

Survey for railway line from Baramulla to Kupwara

†2386. MIR MOHAMMAD FAYAZ: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government has conducted a survey for railway line from Baramulla to Kupwara;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) if not, the reasons for not conducting the survey or starting work on the above railway line so far?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI MANOJ SINHA): (a) to (c) Survey for a new line from Baramulla to Kupwara was completed in 2010. As per the survey report, the cost of construction of this 39 km long line was assessed as ₹ 628 crore (2010-11 price level) with a negative rate of return of 7.48%. The project could not be taken up in view of its unremunerative nature, large throwforward of ongoing projects and overall limited availability of funds for new lines.

Arrangements for Simhastha Kumbh Mela

†2387. DR. SATYANARAYAN JATIYA: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state the details of the various special arrangements, infrastructures and facilities made available by Railways for passengers, so far, for Simhastha Kumbh Mela organised at Ujjain, Madhya Pradesh and the details of the special arrangements likely to be made till and after 21 May, 2016?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI MANOJ SINHA): In view of the importance and based upon the anticipated volume and pattern of rail traffic during the Kumbh Mela in 2016, the following passenger amenities at Ujjain Railway Station and adjoining stations such as Nagda, Vikramnagar, Shipra Bridge, Fatehabad, Naikheri, Chintaman Ganesh, Pingleshwar, Indore, Ratlam, Pawasa, Mohanpura etc. have been completed.

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