Increase in speed of trains is a constant endeavor of Indian Railways. Speeds of trains are governed not only by the maximum speed of the track but also speed restrictions on routes, stoppages, maximum speed of the rolling stocks etc. Works of easing line capacity on the Bandikui-Alwar sector through completion of sanctioned Doubling works and provision of Double Distant signaling between Rewari and Jaipur will further help to reduce the travelling time between these two cities.

## **Bullet** train

†772. SHRI NARESH AGRAWAL: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it is a fact that the Bullet train project is going to take a long time to materialise;
  - (b) if so, the reasons therefor, and
  - (c) by when the country will get a chance to travel by a Bullet train?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI RAJEN GOHAIN): (a) to (c) Mumbai-Ahmedabad high speed train project has been sanctioned with financial and technical assistance from Government of Japan. As per the feasibility study conducted by Japan International Cooperation Agency (JICA), the project is targeted for completion by 2022-23.

## Non-imposition of fine on minors travelling without train ticket

†773. SHRI MOTILAL VORA: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether after accepting the suggestion of Kerala State Commission for Protection of Child Rights, Government has decided that neither fine nor any action would be taken against minors travelling without ticket/violating any rule of Railways;

<sup>†</sup>Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.