

(c) Occupancy of luxury trains is on the increasing trend as can be seen from the analysis of number of passengers travelled in the luxury trains in the last three years given in the above table.

(d) Does not arise.

Proposed railway station between Mulund and Thane

1397. SHRI KUMAR KETKAR: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government has a proposal for a new station on main line route of Central Railways between Mulund and Thane;

(b) if so, who proposed for this new station;

(c) whether Railways have accessed the proposal from the competent authority, if so, could Ministry submit the report to the House;

(d) whether Railways have land area required for new station and located the required piece of land and where;

(e) whether Railways is planning to acquire 14 acres of land belonging to Mental Hospital of Thane Corporation; and

(f) if so, whether Railways have to compensate Thane Municipality, if so, by what amount?

THE MINISTER OF RAILWAYS (SHRI PIYUSH GOYAL): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) and (c) Thane Municipal Corporation (TMC) had proposed the station. This has been sanctioned as a deposit work at the cost of Thane Municipal Corporation.

(d) and (e) The station is planned with the land given free of cost to Railways by Thane Municipal Corporation.

(f) Does not arise.

Virar-Dahanu four line in Maharashtra

1398. SHRI KUMAR KETKAR: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state: