

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI MALIKARJUN): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The section Ujjain-Maksi-Bhopal is planned for commissioning by March 1992.

[English]

#### Trichur-Guruvayoor Railway Line

2879. PROF. SAVITHRI LAKSHMANAN:  
SHRI KODIKUNILSURESH:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) the progress made so far in construction of Trichur-Guruvayoor railway line;

(b) the amount allocated in the current financial year for completion of this line;

(c) when the work is expected to be completed;

(d) whether the work is behind the schedule; and

(e) if so, the details thereof and the steps being taken for its expeditious completion?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI MALIKARJUN): (a) 70%.

(b) Rs. 2.33 crores.

(c) 1991-92.

(d) No, Sir.

(e) Does not arise.

#### SC/ST Officials in Recruitment Boards

2880. SHRI ARVIND NETAM: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) the number of Railway Recruitment Boards functioning in the Indian Railways;

(b) whether it is stipulatory that in each Recruitment Board one of the two officers namely the Chairman and Member-Secretary has to be from either the SC or ST;

(c) if so, whether this stipulation has been implemented fully in all the Recruitment Boards; and

(d) if not, when it is likely to be implemented?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI MALIKARJUN): (a) 19.

(b) No, Sir.

(c) and (d). Do not arise.

#### Production of Oil and Gas in Cauvery Basin

2881. SHRI K. THULASIAH VANDAYAR: Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) the total production of crude oil and natural gas from the Cauvery basin in Tanjore district of Tamil Nadu;

(b) the steps the Government propose to take for exploration of the cauvery basin for more hydrocarbons; and

(c) the details of the recent discoveries made there?

THE MINISTER OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS (SHRI B. SHANKARANAND): (a) 0.65 MMT of oil and 147.71

million cu. mts. of natural gas have been produced from the oil and gas fields in Thanjore district of Tamil Nadu upto 31.7.1991.

(b) and (c). The recent discoveries are at Adiyakkamangalam, Kamalapuram, Narimnam, Thiruverur and Nannilam. Exploration is continuing.

### **Rationalising of flights**

2882. SHRI K.V. THANGKABALU: Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government have recently undertaken a study to economise fuel use by reviewing and rationalising the flight levels; and

(b) if so, the details of the steps taken in this regard and the extent of fuel saving likely to be effected thereby?

THE MINISTER OF CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM (SHRIMADHAVRAO SCINDIA): (a) and (b). The optimisation of flight levels is continuously under review. There are a number of technical factors that impinge on flight levels. Taking them into account, the National Airports Authority makes every effort to assign optimum flight levels to Indian Airlines' operations.

### **Airbus A-320**

2883. SHRI CHETAN P. S. CHAUHAN:  
SHRI PRAKASH V. PATIL:

Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM be pleased to state:

(a) the total number of Airbus A-320 which were to be purchased as per the agreement, the number out of them delivered so far;

(b) whether the Government had to pay some compensation for the delay caused in accepting the delivery of some Airbus-320; and

(c) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM (SHRIMADHAVRAO SCINDIA): (a) While all the 19 Airbus A-320 aircraft in terms of the Purchase Agreement of 15.3.1986 have been received, 12 more aircraft in terms of the supplementary agreement of 5.6.1989 are yet to be received.

(b) and (c). Indian Airlines has not paid any compensation to Airbus Industrie on account of delay in taking delivery of the aircraft.

[*Translation*]

### **College and School in Danapur Division for Railway Employees**

2884. SHRI RAM LAKHAN SINGH YADAV: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is no-senior secondary school for wards of railway employees working in the Danapur Division in Bihar;

(b) if so, the action taken by the Government so far to set up a senior secondary school there;

(c) whether there is any proposal to start a post graduate college in Art and Science subjects for the wards of railway employees in this division; and

(d) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI MAL-LIKARJUN): (a) No, Sir. There are Senior Secondary Schools in Danapur Division.