

(b) Does not arise.

(c) A programme of work to be undertaken during the current Plan is under discussion with the Government of Rajasthan. A decision will be taken soon and work on the approved projects will be started during the current year.

#### **Wool and Sheep Research Institute**

**1940. Shri Karni Singhji:** Will the Minister of Food and Agriculture be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the Wool and Sheep Research Institute has been located in Rajasthan;

(b) whether all the proposed sites were visited by the Committee before a decision was taken on the subject; and

(c) whether Bikaner, the home of sheep, was also visited by the team?

**The Minister of State in the Ministry of Food and Agriculture (Dr. Ram Subhag Singh):** (a) Yes.

(b) Yes. All the sites offered by the Rajasthan Government were visited by the Committee.

(c) The Rajasthan Government did not offer any site in Bikaner. However, the Liaison Officer (Sheep and Wool) in the Indian Council of Agricultural Research and a Consultant of the United Nations Special Fund visited the Bikaner area.

#### **New Shuttle Services by I.A.C.**

**1941** { **Shri Balakrishnan:**  
**Shri V. K. Ramaswamy:**

Will the Minister of Transport and Communications be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Indian Air Lines Corporation is proposing to run new shuttle services; and

(b) if so, the number of new lines proposed?

**The Deputy Minister in the Ministry of Transport and Communications**

**(Shri Mohiuddin):** (a) and (b). The Corporation have reported that the possibility of expanding their services is under constant study. In so far as their regional networks are concerned, this question is now being examined by them in anticipation of the delivery of the second batch of five Friendship aircraft, which are due to be delivered between November, 1962 and March, 1963.

#### **Improving Means of Communications in Madhya Pradesh, Uttar Pradesh and Rajasthan**

**1942. Shri Birendra Bahadur Singh:** Will the the Minister of Transport and Communications be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that some time ago Madhya Pradesh Government had asked Central Government for additional money to improve means of communications in the bordering areas of Madhya Pradesh, Rajasthan and Uttar Pradesh; and

(b) if so, what action has been taken?

#### **The Minister of Transport and Communications (Shri Jagjivan Ram):**

(a) Proposals have been received from the Government of Madhya Pradesh from time to time for Central aid for the improvement of road communications in the bordering areas of Madhya Pradesh and Uttar Pradesh only.

(b) An offer of grant-in-aid of Rs. 37 lakhs has been made to meet one-third of the cost of constructing permanent road bridges over the Chambal and the Yamuna on the Bind-Etawah road in the area.

#### **Agricultural University in Kerala**

**1943. Shri M. K. Kumaran:** Will the Minister of Food and Agriculture be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government of Kerala have submitted any proposal for establishing Agricultural University in the State;