

(e) DCP (Traffic) has been delegated the powers to suspend the driving licence of such drivers and even to impound their vehicles. In order to eliminate the practice of refusal by Taxi/TSRs to come to destination desired by passenger, special drives are undertaken by Delhi Traffic Police.

A prepaid taxi service at Palam Air Port has been made operational since 8.2.86. A control room with telephone No. 230782 in the Directorate of Transport receives and registers complaints for further action.

Cancellation of flights on Chandigarh-Srinagar-Leh routes

44. SHRI P. NAMGYAL : Will the Minister of TRANSPORT be pleased to state :

(a) the total number of regular Indian Airlines flights cancelled on the Chandigarh-Leh and Srinagar-Leh routes during the month of June, 1986 alongwith the date of cancellation out of the total of nine scheduled flights ; and

(b) the reasons for cancellations and for not making arrangements for clearance of stranded passengers on the following dates ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF CIVIL AVIATION (SHRI JAGDISH TYTLER) : (a) Out of nine scheduled flights on Chandigarh-Leh-Chandigarh sector, two flights on the 12th and 23rd June, 1986 had to be cancelled. On Srinagar-Leh-Srinagar sector, two out of a total of 12 scheduled flights, on the 13th and 25th June, 1986 had to be cancelled.

(b) The flights were cancelled due to bad weather at Leh. The flights cancelled could not be operated on the subsequent days either due to bad weather or due to non-availability of aircraft at Chandigarh and Srinagar during the restricted hours of operation and also non-availability of Leh airport for Indian Airlines operations on Saturdays and Sundays.

Allotment of Bookstalls to unemployed Graduates at Mirzapur and Allahabad stations

45. DR. S. JAGATHRAKSHAKAN : Will the Minister of TRANSPORT be pleased to state :

(a) how many applications were received from unemployed graduate categories for allotment of Bookstall Contract at Mirzapur Railway Station and for allotment of Bookstall Contract on newly constructed platforms at Allahabad station in response to advertisement made in Newspapers through currency cheque ; and

(b) the details of persons to whom these bookstalls are being allotted on merits ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF RAILWAYS (SHRI MADHAVRAO SCINDIA) : (a) One application has been received by the Railway for bookstall at Mirzapur. In case of Allahabad, the number will be known only after 11.8.86, which is the last date for receipt of applications.

(b) The allotments have not yet been finalised.

Sale of Dangerous Medicines

46. SHRI ANAND SINGH : Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state :

(a) whether Government's attention has been drawn to the report released at the 39th World Health Organisation Congress on 13 May, 1986 revealing that more than 23,000 kinds of non-prescription, useless and even dangerous medicines are on sale ;

(b) if so, how many such drugs marketed in India have been listed in the report ; and

(c) what effective steps have been and are being taken to curb the health hazard presented thereby ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (KUMARI SAROJ KHAPARDE) : (a) The report released at the 39th World Health Organisation Congress on 13.5.86 has been examined by Govern-