

quality steel and the finishing capacity in the Rail Mill section.

Computerisation of railway reservation at Vijayawada

3456. SHRI V. SOBHANADREESWARA RAO : Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state :

(a) whether long queues are witnessed for reservation at Vijayawada railway reservation office;

(b) whether many times despite the passengers holding reservation tickets, their names do not find a place on the reservation charts;

(c) whether it is proposed to computerise the reservation at Vijayawada railway reservation office; and

(d) if not, the reasons thereof ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI MADHAVRAO SCINDIA) : (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) No such complaint has come to notice.

(c) and (d). Computerisation of reservations is being extended to various stations in a phased manner, according to availability of funds. There is no proposal to computerise the reservation work at Vijayawada station for the present.

Passenger lounge at Vijayawada Airport

3457. SHRI V. SOBHANADREESWARA RAO : Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state :

(a) the extent of increase in passenger traffic to and from Vijayawada Airport during the last three years;

(b) whether the passengers lounge at the airport which was constructed several decades back is adequate to take care of the increased passenger traffic; and

(c) if not, whether Government propose to develop the passenger lounge to take care of increasing traffic at Vijayawada Airport ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF CIVIL AVIATION (SHRI JAGDISH TYTLER) : (a) A statement is given below.

(b) No, Sir.

(c) Yes, Sir. It is proposed to construct a new terminal building at Vijayawada Airport during the Seventh Five Year Plan (1985-90).

Statement

The number of passengers embarking from and disembarking at Vijayawada airport during 1983-84, 1984-85 and 1985-86

Year	Embarking Passengers	Disembarking Passengers
1983-84	11525	10684
1984-85	15570	14763
1985-86	13895	13612

Allocation and expenditure on construction, repair and maintenance of National Highways

3458. SHRI V. SOBHANADREESWARA RAO : Will the Minister of SURFACE TRANSPORT be pleased to state :

(a) the amount allocated and utilised for the construction, repair and maintenance of National Highways during the Sixth Plan, State-wise;

(b) the amount allocated for construction, repair and maintenance of National Highway in Andhra Pradesh during the Seventh Plan and the amount out of that released so far;

(c) whether any request has been received from the State Government to increase this amount; and