

the date by which the Commission is likely to submit its report.

(d) and (e). The Commission has held discussions with senior officials and functionaries of some of the States and the U.T. of Delhi. Members of the Commission have also toured some places in the country and have held discussions with local authorities and other persons on issues connected with the Commission's work. A press release was issued by the Commission on 16-1-1978 inviting views and suggestions from the public and in response, the Commission has received several suggestions from different sections of the public for the improvement in the standard of service and mental attitude of the police

#### Use of I.A.F. Aircrafts by Ministers

4052. PROF. P. G. MAVALANKAR:  
SHRI VAYALAR RAVI:

Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that more than fifty trips were made by several

Cabinet Ministers in IAF aircrafts during the last six or eight months;

(b) if so, full facts thereof;

(c) reasons for Ministers other than the Prime Minister using the IAF aircrafts so repeatedly; and

(d) whether he has issued any orders in the matter suggesting minimum possible use of such special facilities by VIPs, and if so, broad details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF DEFENCE  
(SHRI JAGJIVAN RAM): (a) and (b) No, Sir. There have been only 36 trips made by the Cabinet Ministers in IAF aircrafts in the last eight months. Details are given in the attached statement.

(c) The Union Cabinet Ministers are entitled for the use of IAF aircrafts for journeys on official duties.

(d) No formal orders have been issued suggesting minimum possible use of such special facilities.

#### Statement ]

*List of IAF Flights undertaken for Union Cabinet Ministers for the last Eight Months  
(or July 77 to 28 Feb 78)*

Sl No.	Particulars of Minister	Date of Flight	Type of Aircraft	Places visited	Remarks
1	2	3	4	5	6
1	Raksha Mantri .	06-8-77	Chetak	Safdarjung (Flood Affected Area)—Safdarjung	
2	Raksha Mantri .	28-8-77	HS 748	Jodhpur—Delhi	
3	Raksha Mantri .	08-9-77 09-9-77 10-9-77	TU 124 TU 124 TU 124	Delhi—Ozar Ozar—Bangalore Bangalore—Delhi	
4	Raksha Mantri .	11-9-77	TU 124	Delhi—Chandigarh—Delhi	
5	Minister of Steel .	07-10-77	Chetak	Shillong—Gauhati	
6	Minister of I & B .	07-10-77	MI 8	Gauhati—Shillong	

1	2	3	4	5	6
7	Minister of Railways .	10-10-77	HS 748	Delhi—Allahabad—Delhi	
8	Minister of Agri. & Irrig.	13-10-77	MI 8	Dispur—Barpeta—Gauhati —Majuli—Dhemajai— —Mohanbari—Now- gong (Aerial Survey)	
9	Raksha Mantri .	17-10-77 18-10-77	HS 748 HS 748	Delhi—Gwalior Gwalior—Delhi	
10	Minister of H.A. .	28-10-77	Chetak	Gobindgarh—Attari— Amritsar	
11	Minister of Petroleum .	29-10-77	Chetak	Dehradun—Kalsi— Hartal—Purula—Tehri Garhwal Dehradun	
12	Minister of Petroleum	30-10-77	Chetak	Dehradun—Pethani— Chakisen—Tarpaleen— Thelsen—Ufrichi— Jogimari—Bedikhal— Barokhal—Ghumakot— Raeldnikhal—Ekahwar —Chifalghat—Khirsu	
13	Minister of Finance .	05-11-77 06-11-77	Heli Heli	Gauhati—Shillong Shillong—Gauhati	
14	Minister of E.A. .	06-11-77	HS 748	Delhi—Goa—Bombay	
15	Minister of Agri. & Irrig.	05-11-77	HS 748	Delhi—Dacca—Lucknow —Delhi	(Leader of Indian Delegation)
16	Minister of Railways .	17-11-77	HS 748	Madras—Tiruchirapalli— Madras (Flood Affected Areas)	
17	Minister of Petroleum .	18-11-77	HS 748	Madras (Flood Affected Areas)—Madras	
18	Raksha Mantri .	19-11-77 19-11-77 20-11-77	HS 748 Chetak HS 748	Delhi—Ahmedabad Ahmedabad—Anand— Ahmedabad Ahmedabad—Jodhpur— Delhi	
19	Minister of E.A. .	19-11-77 19-11-77 21-11-77 21-11-77	HS 748 Chetak Chetak HS 748	Delhi—Hashimara Hashimara—Thimpu Thimpu—Paro—Bagdogra Bagdogra—Delhi	
20	Raksha Mantri .	25-11-77 25-11-77 25-11-77 26-11-77	HS 748 MI 8 HS 748 HS 748	Delhi—Gannavaram Vijaywada—Machlipat- nam—Vijaywada Gannavaram—Hyderabad Hyderabad—Madras (Aerial Recce)—Madras —Hyderabad—Delhi	
21	Raksha Mantri .	02-12-77	HS 748	Delhi—Bareilly—Delhi	
22	Raksha Mantri .	06-12-77	TU 124	Delhi—Jaisalmer—Delhi	
23	Minister of I & B .	10-12-77	Chetak	Dimapur—Kohima	

1	2	3	4	5	6
24	Raksha Mantri . .	17-12-77 HS 748 17-12-77 Heli 17-12-77 HS 748	Delhi—Lucknow Amausi—Memora—Lucknow Lucknow—Delhi		
25	Raksha Mantri . .	23-12-77 Chetak	Delhi—Gurgaon—Delhi		
26	Minister of H.A. .	30-12-77 HS 748	Delhi—Allahabad—Delhi		
27	Minister of H.A. .	09-1-78 HS 748	Delhi—Amritsar—Delhi		
28	Raksha Mantri . .	14-1-78 TU 124	Delhi—Hyderabad—Madras		
29	Minister of E.A. .	17-1-78 HS 748 18-1-78 HS 748	Delhi—Jaipur Jaipur—Delhi		
30	Minister of H.A. .	03-2-78 TU 124 06-2-78 HS 748	Delhi—Bangalore—Colombo Colombo—Madras—Bangalore	(As leader of Indian Delegation)	
31	Minister of E.A. .	06-2-78 HS 748 08-2-78 HS 748	Delhi—Chakala Lahore—Delhi		
32	Raksha Mantri . .	08-2-78 TU 124	Calcutta—Madras		
33	Raksha Mantri . .	19-2-78 MI 8	Safdarjung—Tilpat—Safdarjung		
34	Ministry of H.A. .	19-2-78 MI 8	Safdarjung—Tilpat—Safdarjung		
35	Minister of Finance .	19-2-78 Chetak	Safdarjung—Tilpat—Safdarjung (Helilift with Defence Secy.)		
36	Raksha Mantri . .	25-2-78 TU 124 25-2-78 MI 8 25-2-78 TU 124	Delhi—Adampur Adampur—Jullunder—Adampur Adampur—Delhi		

### Funds for R.E.C. Programme

4053. PROF. P. G. MAVALANKAR:  
Will the Minister of ENERGY be  
pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are aware that rural electrification programme is thwarted both by inadequate financial assistance to the State Governments as well as to somewhat stringent conditions laid down by the Rural Electrification Corporation for release of Central funds to the State Electricity Boards concerned; and

(b) if so, steps being taken by Government to improve the situation

with a view to accelerating the rural electrification programme throughout the country?

THE MINISTER OF ENERGY (SHRI P. RAMACHANDRAN): (a) and (b). Rural Electrification Programmes are financed through three sources: (a) Rural Electrification Corporation (REC), (b) under the Minimum Needs Programme funds for which are routed through the REC and (c) by the State Governments themselves.

The allocation has been increasing over successive five-year plan periods.