

of commission to agencies is given below:

Year	Total amount of commission paid
1974-75	Rs. 78,14,929
1975-76	Rs. 90,00,940
1976-77	Rs. 95,15,663

**Target Fixed for National Highways for Gujarat**

8278 PROF. P. G. MAVALANKAR: Will the Minister of SHIPPING AND TRANSPORT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Gujarat is lagging behind by almost 60 per cent in the matter of reaching the minimum target fixed for 1961—1981 period;

(b) if so, whether Central Government are soon declaring some of the major and trunk routes as National Highways;

(c) if so, how and when; and

(d) if not, why not?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN-CHARGE OF THE MINISTRY OF SHIPPING AND TRANSPORT (SHRI CHAND RAM): (a) to (d). Presumably, 1961—81 target referred in the question relate to the 20-Year Plan suggested in the Report of Chief Engineers on Road Development Plan for India (1961—81). Apart from the fact that the Government of India are not committed to the aforesaid plan suggested by the Chief Engineers, that plan did not lay down any targets for any individual State, including Gujarat, separately. It only indicated targets for the country as a whole. Even viewing the recommendations contained in that report in totality, their implementation depends on several

factors, including, *inter alia* availability of resources.

Due to financial constraints and other priorities, the Central Government are unable to declare any new road as a National Highway.

**States' Comments on Sixth Plan**

8279 PROF. P. G. MAVALANKAR. Will the Minister of PLANNING be pleased to state.

(a) whether one or more State Governments have officially communicated to the Centre their responses to the Draft Sixth Five Year Plan;

(b) if no, broad outlines thereto,

(c) whether the Government have accepted the suggestions, etc of the State Governments;

(d) if so, main indication thereof; and

(e) if not, why not?

THE PRIME MINISTER (SHRI MORARJI DESAI): (a) to (e). The Chief Ministers stated their views on the Draft Plan 1978—83 at the recent meeting of the National Development Council. Further detailed discussions on projects and programmes in the State Plans will be undertaken shortly, after Draft Five Year Plans have been prepared by the States. The views expressed by the Chief Ministers will naturally be taken into account by the Planning Commission in finalising the Plan.

**Programmes Arranged by A.I.E. in Connection with Completion of 50 Years of Functioning**

8280. PROF. P. G. MAVALANKAR. Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that All India Radio recently completed the first fifty years of its functioning;

(b) if so, whether any special programmes and features were arranged and broadcast respectively in this connection; and

(c) if so, broad details thereto?

THE MINISTER OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (SHRI L. K. ADVANI) (a) Organised broadcasting was started in India by a Private Limited Company in 1927. Fifty years of broadcasting in India was celebrated at the following places as under —

(1) Bombay	23-7-1977
(2) Calcutta	26-8-1977
(3) Madras	8-1-1978
(4) Delhi	30-3-1978

All India Radio has not completed first fifty years of its broadcasting as it came into existence only in 1937.

(b) Special programmes and features were arranged and broadcast in this connection

(c) Details are given in the statement laid on the Table of the House. (Placed in Library See No. LT-2196/78).

#### Equalisation of Pay Scales of Military Officers with I.A.S.

8281 SHRI YADVENDRA DUTT: Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether he has a plan to equalise the pay-scales of Military Officers with the I.A.S. Officers plus allowances; and

(b) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF DEFENCE (SHRI JAGJIVAN RAM) (a) and (b). The pay-scales of officers of the Armed Forces are revised from time to time on their own merits, keeping in view the recommendations of the Pay Commission. There is no proposal for any change at present.

#### Number of Accidents and Incidents in Air Force Planes

8282 SHRI YADVENDRA DUTT. Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

(a) the number of accidents and incidents in which Air Force planes of all types were involved during the period 1st January, 1977 to 31st December, 1977;

(b) the types of planes involved; and

(c) in how many incidents and accidents pilots bailed out?

THE MINISTER OF DEFENCE (SHRI JAGJIVAN RAM). (a) to

(c). The number of accidents per ten thousand hours of flying during the period 1st January 1977 to 31st December, 1977 is 2.85, involving different types of aircrafts in use. It will not be in the public interest to indicate more details.

#### प्रधान मंत्री कार्यालय में हिन्दी टाइपिस्ट और स्टैनोग्राफरों की संख्या

8283. श्री शम्भुनाथ जगुर्वेदी : क्या प्रधान मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि

(क) प्रधान मंत्री के कार्यालय में इस समय प्रशिक्षित हिन्दी टाइपिस्ट और स्टैनोग्राफरों की अलग अलग कुल संख्या कितनी है ;

(ख) उनमें से ऐसे टाइपिस्टों और स्टैनोग्राफरों की संख्या कितनी है ; जिनकी सेवाओं का हिन्दी कार्य के लिए पूर्णतया उपयोग किया जा रहा है ;

(ग) शेष हिन्दी टाइपिस्टों और स्टैनोग्राफरों की सेवाओं का उपयोग न कर के क्या कारण हैं ; और