

(c) Until the by-pass is made, the traffic will be controlled by the Traffic Police to avoid accidents in the town.

Shipping Committee for Andaman and Nicobar

**4799. Shri Panna Lal:
Shri Vishwa Nath Pandey:**

Will the Minister of **Transport, Aviation, Shipping and Tourism** be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the Sub-Committee of the Shipping Committee for Andaman and Nicobar Islands has made suggestions for the improvement of harbour and Navigational facilities;

(b) if so, the main recommendations thereof; and

(c) the reaction of Government thereto?

The Minister of Transport, Aviation, Shipping and Tourism (Shri Sanjiva Reddy): (a) to (c). Yes, Sir. The recommendations of the Sub-Committee are yet to be examined by the Shipping Committee who will make final recommendations for consideration of the Government of India after having discussed the Sub-Committee's Report fully at their next meeting proposed to be held on 5th May, 1966.

Accommodation for IAC Employees

4800. Shri P. C. Borooah: Will the Minister of **Transport, Aviation, Shipping and Tourism** be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the employees of the Indian Airlines Corporation are neither given house rent allowance nor there is any provision for Government accommodation for them; and

(b) if so, whether there is some proposal under consideration to give relief to these employees in respect of their housing problem?

The Minister of Transport, Aviation, Shipping and Tourism (Shri Sanjiva

Reddy): (a) and (b). In fixing the wage structure of the employees of the Indian Airlines Corporation initially in 1955, the element of House Rent had been taken into account. However, the Corporation have plans for the construction of housing colonies for their staff at Delhi, Bombay, Calcutta and Madras, particularly to cover low paid employees.

Mohanbari Airport

4801. Shri P. C. Borooah: Will the Minister of **Transport, Aviation, Shipping and Tourism** be pleased to state:

(a) the progress made in the construction work of the Mohanbari Airport in Assam; and

(b) when it is likely to be completed?

The Minister of Transport, Aviation, Shipping and Tourism (Shri Sanjiva Reddy): (a) and (b). The runway at Mohanbari Airport was opened for use on the 7th March 1966. I.A.C. have commenced Viscount operations through this aerodrome.

Pre-investment Survey of Forest Resources

4802. Shri A. V. Baghavan: Will the Minister of **Food, Agriculture, Community Development and Cooperation** be pleased to state:

(a) the progress made under the pre-investment survey of forest resources in the Southern Region;

(b) the area and the regions likely to be covered; and

(c) when the survey is likely to be completed?

The Deputy Minister in the Ministry of Food, Agriculture, Community Development and Cooperation (Shri Shyam Dhar Misra): (a) The survey has not stated in the Southern Zone (Kerala and Mysore States).

(b) The Project proposes to survey an area of about 1,800 sq. miles in