

Airbus A-320 Services on Bombay-Cochin and Bombay-Trivandrum Routes

2080. SHRI RAMESH CHENNITHALA:
SHRI P.C. THOMAS:

Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to say:

(a) whether it is proposed to operate Airbus A-320 flights on Bombay-Cochin and Bombay-Trivandrum routes; and

(b) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF CIVIL AVIATION (SHRI HARMOHANDHAWAN): (a) and (b). Cochin airport is not suitable for A-320 operations. The Bombay-Trivandrum route is already catered to by a daily A-320 service.

Construction of Airport in Kottayam

2081. SHRI RAMESH CHENNITHALA: Will the Minister of ENERGY be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is any proposal for constructing new Airports in the country;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether any memorandum for constructing an airport in Kottayam (Kerala) has been received; and

(d) if so, the action taken thereon?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF CIVIL AVIATION (SHRI HARMOHAN DHAWAN): (a) Barring the construction works already in progress, the national Airports Authority has not finalised any proposal for the construction of new airports in the country.

(b) Does not arise.

(c) Yes, Sir.

(d) There is no plan to construct a new airport at Kottayam.

Doubling of Quilon-Madras Lines

2082. SHRI RAMESH CHENNITHALA: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is any proposal for the doubling of the Quilon-Madras railway line;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI BHAKTA CHARAN DAS): (a) to (c). There are two routes between Madras and Quilon:-BG route via Jolarpettai-Salem-Shoranur-Ernakulam-Kayankulam and the MG route via Villupuram-Tiruchchirapalli-Dindigul-Virdnunagar-Tirunelveli. On the BG route double line is available on Madras-Ernakulam section. On Ernakulam-Kayankulam section, an alternative BG line is under construction and when completed, it will provide double line facility in the form of two single lines on this section- one the existing via Kottayam and the other via Alleppey under construction. Doubling between Kayankulam and Quilon is in progress.

There is no proposal for doubling the MG route at present as the MG route is sufficient for meeting the traffic requirements.

Clearance to Pending power projects

2083. SHRI VAMANRAO MAHADIK: Will the Minister of ENERGY be pleased to state:

(a) the names of the power projects pending for clearance by the Government;

(b) the reasons for holding up of each of these projects; and

(c) the steps taken/proposed to be taken by the Government for their early clearance?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF ENERGY (SHRIBABANRAO DHAKANE): (a) The information is given in the statement below.

(b) and (c). After examination of the project reports, comments of the Central

Water Commission/Central Electricity Authority have been sent to the project authorities in most of the cases and their replies to these comments are awaited. Further, in some cases relevant essential inputs like fuel linkage, water availability and clearances such as environmental and forest clearance, clearance from State Pollution Control Board, National Airport Authority of India etc., are also required to be tied up by the project authorities for techno-economic appraisal.

Further processing of these schemes for techno-economic clearance would be done after these requirements have been met.

STATEMENT

<i>Sl. No.</i>	<i>Name of the Project</i>	<i>Capacity (MW)</i>
<i>Hydro Projects</i>		
<i>Himachal Pradesh</i>		
1.	Dhanwari Sunda	2 x 35=70
<i>Jammu & Kashmir</i>		
2.	Naigad Nallah	4 x 1.5=6
3.	Hirpora (Shopian)	3 x 3 =9
4.	Butkot Sakhrus	2 x 18 = 36
5.	New Ganderbal	3 x 15 =45
6.	Dumkhar	2 x 1.5 =4.5
7.	Igo-Mercelong	2 x 1.5 =3
8.	Boniyar	2 x 1.5 =3
9.	Parnai	3 x 12.50 =37.50
10.	Mandi	4 x 1 =4
11.	Sewa Stage-II	3 x 40 = 120

<i>Sl. No.</i>	<i>Name of the Project</i>	<i>Capacity (MW)</i>
<i>Haryana</i>		
12.	Dadupur (Revised report)	4 x 1.5 = 4.60
<i>Uttar Pradesh</i>		
13.	Dhauliganga (Intermediate Stage)	4 x 50 = 200
14.	Goriganga State-I & II	3 x 20 + 3 x 40 = 180
15.	Basuli	5 x 0.856 = 4.78
<i>Madhya Pradesh</i>		
16.	Bansagar Tons Power House -IV (Modified)	2 x 10 = 20
<i>Maharashtra</i>		
17.	Konal	2 x 5 = 10
<i>Gujarat</i>		
18.	Karjan L.B.c. (Revised)	2 x 1 = 2
<i>Andhra Pradesh</i>		
19.	Velugudu	2 x 5 = 10
20.	Kakatiya Canal	1 x 3 = 3
21.	Priyadarshini Jurala	6 x 36.9 = 221.4
22.	Nagarjuna PSS (Tail Pond Dam)	2 x 15 = 30
23.	Somasila	2 x 5 = 10
<i>Kerala</i>		
24.	Maniyar	1 x 5 + 2 x 2.5 = 10
25.	Kuttiyadi Extension	1 x 50 = 50

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26.	Boothathankettu	3x10=30
27.	Pallivasal Rehabilitation	3 x 20=60
28.	Chembukkedavan-II	3 x 3 =9
29.	Karpara Kuriyarkutty Multipurpose project	2 x 12+3 x 20=84
<i>West Bengal</i>		
30.	Farakka Barrage Hydro electric project	5 x 25=125
<i>Orissa</i>		
31.	Bargarh Main Canal	3 x 3=9
<i>Assam</i>		
32.	Lower Kopili	2 x 50=100
<i>Manipur</i>		
33.	Loktak Down Stream	3 x30=90
34.	Tipaimukh (Multipurpose)	10 x150=1500
35.	Tuivai	3 x17=51
36.	Irang	4 x15=60
<i>Arunachal Pradesh</i>		
37.	Dihang (Multipurpose)	40 x500 =20000
38.	Subansiri (Multipurpose)	12 x400=4800
39.	Kameng	4 x 150=600

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<i>Thermal</i>		
<i>Haryana</i>		
1.	Hissar TPS	2x250=500
2.	Palwal TPS	4x210=840
<i>Punjab</i>		
3.	Goindwal TPS	2x210=420
4.	Dhuri TPS	2x500=1000
<i>Uttar Pradesh</i>		
5.	Belthara Road	3x210=630
6.	Jagdishpur ST	4x35 GT+2x35 ST= 210
<i>Gujarat</i>		
7.	Narmada TPS St.I	2x500=1000
8.	Sikka TPS St. III	2x210=420
9.	Gandhinagar CCGT	200
10.	Pipavav CCGT-St.II	615
11.	Utran CCGT- St.II	135
<i>Madhya Pradesh</i>		
12.	Mand TPS	2 x 210 = 420
13.	PenchTPS St. II	2 x250=500
14.	Gwalior CCGT	817
15.	Gopad TPS	4 x500=2000

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Maharashtra		
16.	Parli 'C' TPS	2 x210=420
17.	Dabhol CCGT	4x120GT+2x140ST=760
18.	Ship/Berga Mountel PS M/S Confidence Shipping Co.	110
19.	Nagothane CTCC TPS	4x130GT+2x150 ST=820
Andhra Pradesh		
20.	IInd CCGT Plant at Vijjeswarem	3x100=300
21.	Kothagudem TPS St. V	2x210=420
22.	Ramagundam TPS Extn.	2x2
23.	Gas based TPS at Kakinada	300
24.	LSHS/FO based TPS at Renigunta	100
25.	Gas based TPS at Jegurupadu	400
26.	Gas based TPS at Amalapuram	3x25=75
27.	Muddanore TPS	2x210
28.	Manuguru STPS-NTPC	2x500=1000
Karnataka		
29.	Raichur St. III	1x500=500
30.	North Madras St. II	2x120=420
31.	Cuddalore TPS St II	3x210=630

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<i>Bihar</i>		
32.	Muzaffarpur Extn.	2x210=420
33.	Patratu TPS	2x210=420
34.	Gaya & Chokai Solar	120 (2x30 each)
35.	Naraj TPS	2x250=500
36.	Ib TPS Extn.	2x500=1000
<i>West Bengal</i>		
37.	D.P.L. 7th Unit	1x110=110
38.	DG Sets in South East Calcutta.	5x6=30
39.	Budge Budge Generating Stn.-CESC	2x250=500
40.	Maithonn Left Bank (DVC)	4x210=840
<i>Assam</i>		
41.	Namrup GT Station	2x30=60
<i>Tripura</i>		
42.	Waste heat plant Baramura	11
43.	GT project at Rokhia Ph. II	2x8=16
44.	GT Project at Rokhia Ph.III	2x8=16
45.	Gas based GT project Tripura	500

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<i>Arunachal Pradesh</i>		
46.	Gas based powerplant at Kharasang	1x6=6
<i>A & N Islands</i>		
47.	Nehru oil based TPS	2x20=40

Contract for constructing platform at Bombay High

2084. PROF. MADHU DANDAVATE: Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND CHEMICALS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Oil and Natural Gas Commission (ONGC) has recently awarded a contract to build a processing platform at Bombay High;

(b) if so, whether there were only two parties in the field;

(c) whether the Government had ruled out consideration of one of the bidders, the Japanese Consortium leaving only one bidder viz, Hyundai Heavy Industries, a South Korean Company in the field;

(d) whether the bid of the South Korean Company was unreasonably delayed in scrutiny; and

(e) if so, whether the delay has cost the country Rs. one hundred crores by way of increased costs?

THE MINISTER OF PETROLEUM AND CHEMICALS AND MINISTER OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS (SHRI SATYA PRAKASH MALVIYA): (a) No Sir. Although

a number of tenders have been floated for process platforms in the Western offshore by ONGC no contract has been awarded recently.

(b) to (e). Do not arise in view of answer to (a) above.

2085. PROF. MADHU DANDAVATE: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether traction by steam locomotives is found to be costliest;

(b) if so, whether 'idling' plays a significant role in increasing the costs;

(c) if so, whether the Railways propose to review their reported decision to continue utilisation of steam locomotives for ten more years; and

(d) whether the Railways have examined the feasibility of using electric traction for shunting and other departmental operations in all major yards in the interests of economy?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI BHAKTA CHARAN DAS): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) Yes, Sir. The shutting down of steam