

Night Landing Facilities at Imphal Airport and Resumption Flights from Delhi to Imphal

1951. SHRI MEJINLUNG KAMSON: Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) the steps taken for providing night landing facilities at the Imphal airport (Manipur); and

(b) when the erstwhile direct flight from Delhi to Imphal and vice versa of the Indian Airlines are proposed to be restored in the interest of the public?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF CIVIL AVIATION (SHRI HARMOHAN DHAWAN): (a) Sanction has been accorded for providing High Intensity Runway Lights, Taxiway and approach lighting at Imphal airport.

(b) Indian Airlines is operating a thrice weekly B-737 service on Delhi/Bagdogra/Guwahati/Imphal route since 16.12.1990.

[*Translation*]

New Trains on Northern and N.E. Railways

1952. SHRI JANARDAN TIWARI:
PROF. MAHADEO
SHIWANKAR:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) the names of new trains introduced in the Northern and the North-Eastern Railways during the last three months and proposed to be introduced in near future alongwith their routes as also the names of those trains whose routes have been changed or are proposed to be changed; and

(b) the time by which a direct trains from Delhi to Chappra via Varanasi-Ballia is likely to be introduced?

THE MINISTER OF RAILWAYS (SHRI JANESHWAR MISHRA): (a) During the last three months, two trains viz. 2401/2402 New Delhi-Patna Shramjeevi Express and 2403/2404 Kanpur-Varanasi Shramik Express have been introduced, and the run of one viz. 4017/4018 Unchahar Express has been extended from New Delhi to Ambala Cantt. No route has been changed during the last three months. Introduction of new trains and change of routes etc. is a continuous process, subject to operational feasibility, availability of resources and traffic justification.

(b) There is no proposal to start an additional train between Delhi and Chappra.

[*English*]

Resumption of Air Service to Visakhapatnam

1953. DR. VISHWANATHAM: Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether the resumption of direct air services from Delhi to Visakhapatnam proposed to be taken up after the reintroduction of Airbus A-320;

(b) if so, when;

(c) if not, whether there is alternative proposal of touching Visakhapatnam by the present route Delhi-Raipur-Visakha-Bhubaneswar has been considered in view of the demand and necessity; and

(d) whether it is proposed to be air linked with the Capital directly?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF CIVIL AVIATION (SHRI

HARMOHAN DHAWAN): (a) to (d). As it will take several months before the fleet of A-320 aircraft gets reinducted in a substantial manner, Indian Airlines has no plan at present to start a service between Delhi and Vishakapatnam.

Conversion of Rajkot-Veraval Line

1954. **SHRI G.K. SHEKHADA:**
SHRI PRAKASH KOKO
BRAHMBHATT:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the conversion of Rajkot-Veraval M.g. Railway line into Broad Gauge will be started during first year of the Eighth Plan, if not, the reasons therefor;

(b) whether any request of the State Government in this regard is pending for consideration with the Union Government; and

(c) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI BHAKTA CHARAN DAS): (a) No, Sir. The work could not be sanctioned in the 1st year of VIII Plan due to paucity of resources.

(b) No, Sir.

(c) Does not arise.

Allotment of Book Stalls.

1955. **SHRI RAJ MANGAL MISHRA:** Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) the names of stations declared vacant for allotting of book-stalls in each zone at the time of issue of letter No. 73-TG-III/461/9/Imp. dated the 5 December, 1973 for

unemployed graduates and their groups;

(b) the names of stations and parties to whom such book stalls were given, zone-wise; and

(c) the names of stations still lying vacant in each zone?

THE MINISTER OF RAILWAYS (SHRI JANESHWAR MISHRA): (a) to (c). Information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the Sabha.

LPG Connections in Jamnagar

1956. **SHRI CHANDRESH PATEL:** Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND CHEMICALS be pleased to state:

(a) the number of LPG connections provided during the last three years in Jamnagar district of Gujarat;

(b) the number of persons on waiting list for LPG connections there;

(c) the steps taken to provide LPG connections there; and

(d) the future plan for providing LPG connection in each place in Jamnagar?

THE MINISTER OF PETROLEUM AND CHEMICALS AND MINISTER OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS (SHRI SATYA PRAKASH MALVIYA): (a) During the last three years (December, 1987 to November, 1990) about 9,700 new LPG connections have been released in Jamnagar district of Gujarat.

(b) As on November 30, 1990 there were about 10,900 persons on the waiting list for release of new LPG connections in Jamnagar district.

(c) and (d). New LPG connections are