THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI ANIL SHAS-TRI): (a) to (d). As pepper is an exportoriented commodity, its domestic prices are subject to international prices as well as supply and demand position. There has been a decline in pepper prices this year because of easy availability in the international market and also due to India's large production. Ministry of Commerce had taken up the issue of speculation with the Forward Market Commission

Foreign Tours by Officials/Ministers

SHRI PRATAPRAO B 9392 BHOSALE Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state

- (a) whether some foreign tours have been undertaken by officials and Ministers during December, 1989 to April, 1990.
- (b) whether these tours have been increased as compared to the tours undertaken during the same period in the preceding year, and
- (c) if so, the details of expenditure incurred on these tours in foreign currency?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI ANIL SHAS-TRI) (a) to (c) The information is not centrally available and will have to be collected from all the Ministries/Departments of the Government of India Collection of this information will involve considerable time and labour and the result to be achieved will not be commensurate with the time and labour involved in collecting the information

Development of Permanent Infrastructure by TFAI

9393 SHRI SATYAGOPAL MISRA Will the Minister of COMMERCE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether there is any proposal under consideration of the Trade Fair Authority of India to develop permanent infrastructure at Calcutta, Bombay, Madras and Bangalore for organising regular Trade Fairs in the said cities for promotion of commerce and industries:
 - (b) If so, the details thereof, and
 - (c) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE (SHRI AR-ANGIL SHREEDHARAN) (a) to (c) Trade Fair Authority of India aims at organising trade fairs not only in Delhi but also in other important cities and State capitals. Though there are certain proposals to develop exhibition infrastructure in the metropolitan cities in the country like Bombay, no definite project has emerged

Low Power and High Power T.V. Transmitters and Air Stations in Madhya Pradesh

9394 SHRIPARASRAMBHARDWAJ Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state

- (a) the number of Low Power and High Power Television transmitters and All India Radio stations opened in Madhya Pradesh during the Seventh Five Year Plan period so far, location-wise, and
- (b) the places where television transmitters and All India Radio stations are likely to be opened during the Eighth Five Year Plan?

THE MINISTER OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING AND MINISTER OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS (SHRI P UPENDRA) (a)