

Reddy): (a) and (b). Air services between Delhi-Chandigarh and Bombay-Poona have been resumed from 1st October and 20th October, 1966, respectively. The Corporation intend operating air services on the following routes in the near future:—

- (1) Patna-Muzaffarpur.
- (2) Trichy-Colombo.
- (3) Trivandrum-Colombo.
- (4) Bombay-Bhuj.

Standardisation of Foodstuffs

***284. Shri S. C. Samanta:**
Shri M. L. Dwivedi:
Shri Subodh Hansda:
Shri Bhagwat Jha Azad:
Shri P. C. Borooah:
Dr. M. M. Das:

Will the Minister of **Food, Agriculture, Community Development and Cooperation** be pleased to state:

(a) the reasons for doing little in the field of standardisation of foodstuffs so far;

(b) whether it is proposed to make the marketing and standardisation schemes compulsory, in view of the large scale adulteration of foodstuffs;

(c) if not, the reasons therefor; and

(d) the steps being taken for ensuring supply of pure foodstuffs?

The Deputy Minister in the Ministry of **Food, Agriculture, Community Development and Cooperation** (Shri **Shyam Dhar Misra**): (a) to (d). The necessary information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the Sabha.

I.A.C. Time Table

***286. Shrimati Savitri Nigam:** Will the Minister of **Transport, Aviation, Shipping and Tourism** be pleased to state:

(a) the reasons for bringing the frequent changes in the Indian Airlines Corporation Time Table; and

(b) the reasons for the delays which occur very frequently in the IAC Flights?

The Minister of **Transport, Aviation, Shipping and Tourism** (Shri **Sanjiva Reddy**): (a) The schedules are normally changed twice a year to cater for seasonal changes. Changes in schedules have, however, been necessitated as and when there is a change in the fleet position.

(b) One of the important reasons for delays to the I.A.C. flights is the limited number of aircraft available and large number of flights which I.A.C. is obliged to operate with the limited fleet at its disposal. The recent loss of two Caravelle aircraft has made the position more acute.

Agricultural Teaching

***287. Shri D. C. Sharma:** Will the Minister of **Food, Agriculture, Community Development and Cooperation** be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that progress in agricultural teaching has not been satisfactory, although the expenditure on education has become 400 per cent high during the last three Five Year Plans;

(b) if so, the reasons therefor; and

(c) the steps taken or proposed to be taken in the matter?

The Deputy Minister in the Ministry of **Food, Agriculture, Community Development and Cooperation** (Shri **Shyam Dhar Misra**): (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

(c) In so far as higher education in Agriculture is concerned, the following is broadly the progress and development so far:—

- (i) New Colleges have been opened where necessary and existing colleges expanded raising the annual intake in the Agricultural Colleges from 1,254 in 1953 to about 10,660 in 1965 and in Vety. Colleges from 615 in 1953 to about 1580 in