श्री आश्रिक अली: ग्रगर नोटिस पेश करेंगे तो इस की जानकारी मालूम कर के पेश कर दी जायगी।

DEVELOPMENT AND MODERNISATION OF AERODROMES

\*664. Shri T. B. Vittal Rao: Will the Minister of Communications be pleased to state the steps Government propose to take to over come the delay in the execution of the programme for the development and modernisation of aerodromes during the First Five Year Plan?

The Minister of Communications (Shri Jagjivan Ram): It is proposed (i) to augment adequately the existing strength of the Engineering personnel engaged on Civil Aviation works, and (ii) to place indents on manufacturers abroad for run-way lighting and other specialised communication and aerodrome equipment required during 1955-56 well before the close of the current financial year so that the necessary equipment could be received and installed in time.

Shri T. B. Vittal Rao: It is stated in the Progress Report on the Five Year Plan for the last three years, that only 25 per cent. of the amount provided for in the Plan has been utilised for this purpose during the first three years. It is also stated therein that the amount could not be availed of, because we could not get equipments from foreign countries. May I know from which countries these equipments have been ordered, whether the orders have since been cancelled, and from which countries we are going to get these equipments?

Shri Jagjivan Ram: It is a fact that we have not been in a position to utilise the allotment for the improvement of aerodromes. The obvious difficulties are that there are rapid developments in the method of lighting and other equipments of aerodromes; and

when it is planned and we decide to place orders through the Department of Supplies, we find that certain modifications in the light of the recent developments in the equipments have become necessary. So, it takes some more time.

As regards the countries on which we place orders, they are several in number—U.K., U.S.A., and other countries. But we are taking precautions this year to see that we utilise more of the allotted funds.

Shri T. B. Vittal Rao: It was stated a year ago that the lighting arrangement at Palam aerodrome was not according to the I.C.A.O. standards. May I know whether it has since been brought up to the I.C.A.O. standard?

Shri Jagjivan Ram: It has been, in several airfields.

Shri Jaipal Singh: Are our aerodromes that are on the international services going to receive priority in this matter of modernisation? If they are, why are they going to receive priority, as against our internal aerodromes?

Shri Jagjivan Ram: Well, they have been given priority, and it is obvious as to why these aerodromes which are international should be equipped. It is not to the neglect of other aerodromes, but these international aerodromes are important by themselves, because they are the most important centres even for the internal services. So, when we equip them, it is not only because they are international airports, but because they are the most important centres even for the internal services.

Shri Chattopadhyaya: May I know whether any complaints have been received from the authorities of the Pan American Airways that the lighting arrangement of the airfields at night is defective?

Shri Jagjivan Ram: Personally I am not aware of that.

DELHI TRANSPORT SERVICE

\*665. Sardar Hukam Singh: Will the Minister of Transport be pleased to state whether it is proposed to extend

the services of the Delhi Transport Service to Ghaziabad in the near future?

The Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister of Railways and Transport (Shri Shahnawaz Khan): No, Sir.

Sardar Hukam Singh: May I know whether the efficiency of service and the frequency in the present local routes that are being served by the D.T.S. are considered to be adequate just at present with the present number of buses?

Shri Shahnawaz Khan: We are aware that the present number and frequency of the buses at the disposal of the D.T.S. are not adequate. We have already placed an order for 140 buses, and we are hoping that they would be coming soon, and when they arrive, we hope the position would ease substantially.

Sardar Hukam Singh: Will all those buses that are to be received be distributed over the present routes, or will any new routes be taken over, local or mofussil?

Shri Shahnawaz Khan: At present, we have no intention of taking over any mofussil routes.

WRITTEN ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS

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\*६२२. ∫श्री एम॰ एल॰ हिबेदी : \*६२२. ∫श्री रघुरामय्या : श्री बहादुर सिंह : श्री राषा रमण :

क्या अपस मंत्री २७ श्रगस्त, १६४४ को पूछे गये तारांकित प्रश्न संख्या १६७ के उत्तर के सम्बन्ध में यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

- (क) क्या सरकार ने नौकरी दफ्तरों सम्बन्धी शिवा राव समिति की सिफारिशों पर विचार किया है;
- (स्त) यदि हां, तो समिति की कौन सी सिफारिशें स्वीकार कर ली गई हैं; भौर
- (ग) सरकार ने उन सिफारिशों को कार्यान्वित करने के लिये कौन सी कार्यवाही की है ?

The Minister of Labour (Shri K. K. Desai): (a) The recommendations of the Shiva Rao Committee are still under consideration of the Government and final decision on the various recommendations will be taken shortly in consultation with the State Governments.

(b) and (c). Do not arise.

VISCOUNT AIRCRAFTS

\*628. Shri Sadhan Gupta: Will the Minister of Communications be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Viscount aircrafts proposed to be purchased by the Indian Airlines Corporation will replace the existing Dakotas; and
- (b) whether these Viscounts are of the same type as those which are being used at present by British European Airways?

The Minister of Communications (Shri Jagjivan Ram): (a) It is not correct to say that the Indian Airlines Corporation have decided to purchase Viscount aircraft. The type of large modern aircraft to be purchased by the Corporation is still under examination. The new aircraft, when purchased, will be put on the main trunk routes and the routes to neighbouring countries releasing the Dakotas which are now operating on those routes for being used on other routes.

(b) Does not arise at this stage.

CO-OPERATIVE PERSONNEL

\*629. Pandit D. N. Tiwary: Will the Minister of Food and Agriculture be pleased to state the assistance given so far to Bihar State for training cooperative personnel, with a view to propagate the idea of co-operative farming?

The Deputy Minister of Food and Agriculture (Shri M. V. Krishnappa): So far no amount has been allotted to Bihar, but schemes for training of cooperative subordinate personnel have been invited from the States by the Central Committee for Co-operative Training.