(b) Does not arise.

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Land in Culcutta and Haldia Ports Area

5576. SHRI KRISHAN LAL SHARMA: Will the Minister of SURFACE TRANSPORT be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it is a fact that Government have received any representation from Haldia-Calcutta Port and Dock Shramik Union, Calcutta for allotment of land in Calcutta and Haldia Ports area;
- (b) whether it is a fact that Government have allotted land to all the trade unions either at Calcutta or at Haldia with the sole exception of Haldi-Calcutta Port and Dock Shramic Union; and
- (c) if so, the reasons for its exclusion particularly in view of its affiliation to Bhartiya Mazdoor Sangh the largest central trade union in the country?

THE MINISTER OF SURFACE TRANSPORT (SHRI T.G. VENKATRAMAN): (a) Yes, Sir.

- (b) No, Sir.
- (c) Does not areas.

National Highway in Tamil Nadu

5577. SHRI A.G.S. RAM BABU: Will the Minister of SURFACE TRANSPORT be pleased to state:

- (a) the National Highways passing through the State of Tamil Nadu;
- (b) whether there is any proposal to construct a new National Highway connecting Madurai and Tiruchirapalli via Melur;
- (c) whether any proposal has been received from any quarter in this regard; and
- (d) if so, the action taken by the Government thereon ?

THE MINISTER OF SURFACE TRANSPORT (SHRI T.G. VANKATRAMAN): (a) The State of Tamil Nadu is served by 9 National Highways viz. 4, 5, 7, 7A, 45, 45A, 46, 47 and 49 having an aggregate length of 1896 km.

- (b) No, Sir.
- (c) Yes, Sir.
- (d) Due to paurity of funds it has not been possible to accept the proposal.

Performance of HAL

5578. SHRI K.P. SINGH DEO: Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Hindustan Aeronautics Limited (HAL) has improved its performance; and
- (b) if so, the details of the profit earned by HAL during the last three years, year-wise ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF DEFENCE (SHRI N.V.N. SOMU) : (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The Profit Before Tax (PBT) earned by Hindustan Aeronautics Limited (HAL) during the years 1994-95, 1995-96 and 1996-97 were Rs. 69.62 crores, Rs. 85.64 crores and Rs. 105 crores (provisional) respectively.

[Translation]

Water in Bhagirathi in Tehri

5579. SHRI BANWARI LAL PUROHIT: Will the Minister of WATER RESOURCES be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government have conducted any survey to assess the quantum of water being flowed at Tehri;
- (b) if so, the monthly average of quantum of water in the Bhagirathi in Tehri between January, 1995 to December 1995 and the quantum of water from January, 1997 till date; and
- (c) the quantum of water in the Bhagirathi in Tehri from June 15, 1995 to September, 1995 and the quantum of water from June 15, 1996 to September, 1996 ?

THE MINISTER OF WATER RESOURCES (SHRI JANESHWAR MISHRA): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) and (c) The information is considered as classified.

[English]

Employment Guarantee Scheme

5580.DR. ARVIND SHARMA: Will the Minister of RURAL AREAS AND EMPLOYMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) the name of the districts of Haryana where Employment Guarantee/Assurance Scheme is being implemented;
- (b) the number of districts likely to be included in the said scheme during 1997-98; and