

THE MINISTER OF CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM (SHRIMADHAV RAO SCINDIA): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

(c) and (d). Presently there are no plans.

#### **Expansion of Belgaum Airport**

3201. SHRI S. B. SIDNAL: Will the minister of CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is any proposal for the expansion of the Belgaum Airport:

(b) if so, the details thereof and when it is likely to be extended; and

(c) if not, the reasons thereof?

THE MINISTER OF CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM (SHRIMADHAV RAO SCINDIA): (a) to (c). No, Sir. The airport is fit for the operation of Avro type of aircraft commensurate with its traffic potential.

#### **Expansion of Madras Airport Runway**

3202. SHRI S. B. SIDNAL: Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM be please to state:

(a) whether the International Airport Authority of India has proposed to extend the length of Madras Airport runway to attract international airlines;

(b) if so, the present length of the runway; and

(c) the measures taken/proposed to be taken in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM (SHRIMADHAV RAO SCIN-

DIA): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The present length of the runway is 3063 metres (10050 feet).

(c) The runway is being extended by 595 metres to enable unrestricted operation of B.747-400 type of aircraft.

#### **Telecast of Proceedings of State Legislatures**

3203. SHRI DHARMABHIKSHAM: Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:

(a) whether proposals have been received for telecast the proceedings of State Legislatures on Lines of Parliament; and

(b) if so, the details thereto?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (KUMARI GIRIJA VYAS): (a) and (b). Yes, Sir. Request for telecasting the proceedings of some State Legislatures viz. Karnataka, Kerala, Uttar Pradesh and Maharashtra have been received.

[*Translation*]

#### **Post Office in Gazipur District in Uttar Pradesh**

3204. SHRI VISHWANATH SHASTRI: Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government propose to open new post offices in the rural areas of Gazipur district of Uttar Pradesh;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the total number of post offices likely to be opened in the district during 1992?