

developed quite satisfactorily in foreign countries, RDSO will adopt the designs to Indian condition of gauge, track and environment.

(d) Yes, Sir.

Progress in Locating Missing Indian Ships

1652. SHRI SATYENDRA NARAYAN SINHA : Will the Minister of TRANSPORT be pleased to state :

(a) whether any progress has been made in locating the two Indian ships which disappeared mysteriously in the Indian Ocean during this year;

(b) whether enquiry into their seaworthiness has made any progress; and

(c) whether any action has been taken against the owners as yet ?

THE MINISTER OF TRANSPORT (SHRI BANSI LAL) : (a) Further investigations have not yielded any trace of the missing ships.

(b) and (c). A case was instituted against the owners and C.B.I. is investigating into the matter. Investigation is still in progress. A formal investigation under Section 360 of Merchant Shipping Act is also in progress in the court of Chief Metropolitan Magistrate, Bombay.

[Translation]

Development of Ahmedabad Airport as an International Airport

1653. SHRI C.D. GAMIT : Will the Minister of TRANSPORT be pleased to state :

(a) whether a demand has been made for developing Ahmedabad Airport as an international airport ;

(b) if so, the reaction of Government thereto ;

(c) the expenditure involved in developing this Airport as an international airport and the time by which this airport will become an international airport ; and

(d) the details of the steps being taken by Government in this regard ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF CIVIL AVIATION (SHRI JAGDISH TYTLER) : (a) and (b). Yes Sir. However, the existing four international airports at Bombay, Delhi, Calcutta and Madras are considered adequate for catering to the needs of international traffic to/from India. Government, therefore, do not feel the necessity for the present of declaring any domestic airport including Ahmedabad as international airport.

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

Target to set up Primary Health Centres in Gujarat

1654. SHRI C.D. GAMIT : Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state the target fixed for establishing Primary Health Centres in Gujarat during the Seventh Five Year plan and details in this regard ?

THE MINISTER OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRIMATI MOHSINA KIDWAI) : The establishment of Primary Health Centres is under the State Sector Minimum Needs Programme. According to the Plan discussions held in the Planning Commission with the representatives from the State of Gujarat, 690 Primary Health Centres are proposed to be opened in the State during the Seventh period out of which 50 Primary Health Centres will be established during 1985-86. Their locations/sites are to be decided by the State Government itself.

[English]

Central Water Transport Finance Corporation

1655. DR. K.G. ADIYODI : Will the Minister of TRANSPORT be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is proposed to set up a Central Water Transport Finance Corporation during the Seventh Plan for monitoring and adequately meeting the needs of the country's inland water transport ; and

(b) if so, the broad outlines thereof and the capital outlay involved ?

THE MINISTER OF TRANSPORT (SHRI BANSI LAL) : (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

National Seminar on the Engineering Education Policy

1657. SHRI K. RAMAMURTHY : Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCES DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state :

(a) the suggestions that have been made by the National Seminar on the Engineering Education Policy organised in New Delhi from October 9th to 12th ; and

(b) the action proposed to be taken thereon ?

THE MINISTER OF HUMAN RESOURCES DEVELOPMENT (SHRI P.V. NARASIMHA RAO) : (a) The recommendations made by the National Seminar on Engineering Education Policy held in New Delhi in October, 1985, pertain to (i) faculty and faculty Development (ii) provision of necessary facilities for under-graduate and post-graduate programmes (iii) challenge of emerging areas and Technology Gap (iv) establishment of linkages with various systems (v) mobilisation of financial resources (vi) removal of obsolescence (vii) strengthening of management structure and (viii) promotion of quest for excellence.

(b) The above National Seminar is

one of the series of several Seminars already held or further being organised for the formulation of National Policy on Education including Technical Education. The last Seminar on Engineering, Technical and Management Education to integrate the recommendations of the various Seminars organised in these fields was held at Bangalore from 6th to 9th November, 1985. The recommendations made by these Seminars will be further analysed through small working groups that may be set up for the respective fields. The recommendations made by these working groups will then be processed for framing the national policy in the particular fields.

Amount spent by Air India and Indian Airlines on publicity

1658. SHRI V.S. VIJAYARAGHAVAN : Will the Minister of TRANSPORT be pleased to state :

(a) the total amount spent by the Air India and the Indian Airlines separately on publicity every year during the last three years, year-wise ;

(b) whether study has been made about the benefit these two organisations derive from publicity ;

(c) whether there are any guidelines in regard to the organising of publicity ;

(d) if so, the details thereof ; and

(e) the names of agencies/organisations which generally receive the benefits of the publicity work done by the two airlines ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF CIVIL AVIATION (SHRI JAGDISH TYTLER) : (a) The amount spent by Indian Airlines and Air India on publicity during the last three years is as follows :—

(Rupees in lakhs)

Year	Air India	Indian Airlines
1982-83	310.20	45.87
1983-84	366.45	60.97
1984-85	482.36	57.88