

these aircraft is about 30% lower than other jet aircraft in the fleet of Indian Airlines on a per seat kilometre basis.

(c) Airbus A-320 aircraft is economical in respect of fuel consumption.

(d) Indian Airlines will have in house maintenance of the Airbus A-320 aircraft in Indian with the help of its own men and material and no charges will be payable to outside parties.

(e) In addition to the 19 Airbus A-320 aircraft, ordered in March, 1986, Indian Airlines has signed an agreement with M/s Airbus Industries for the purchase of 12 additional A-320 aircraft which would make a total of 31 Airbus A-320 aircraft to be inducted.

Computerised check-in Facility by Indian Airlines

68. SHRI BANWARI LAL PUROHIT: Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Indian Airlines has launched a computerised check in facility for its airbus passengers at Delhi Airport,

(b) if so, whether it is proposed to launch similar facility at other airports; and

(c) if so, the details thereof and when such facility will be provided at the Nagpur airport?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM (SHRI SHIVRAJ V. PATIL): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) Yes, Sir.

(c) The computerised check-in facility will be provided by the end of this year at

Madras, Bombay, Calcutta, Hyderabad and Bangalore airports. At present, there is no plan to introduce computerised check-in facility at Nagpur airport.

Investment in Petrochemical Sector

69. SHRI BHATTAM SRIRAMAMURTY: Will the Minister of INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) the total investment proposed to be made in the Petrochemical Sector during the Eighth Plan;

(b) whether there is any proposal to set up a Petrochemical Complex at Vishakhapatnam;

(c) whether a team of Officers recently visited Vishakhapatnam to assess the infrastructure, power and water supply to the proposed complex; and

(d) if so, what is the position and the stage with regard to the Petrochemical Complex at Vishakhapatnam together with its possible location?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF CHEMICALS AND PETROCHEMICALS IN THE MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY (SHRI P. NAMGYAL): (a) It is proposed to make an investment of the order of Rs. 15000 crores during the Eighth Plan in the Petrochemical Sector.

(b) Yes, Sir.

(c) Yes, Sir.

(d) Decision on such Petrochemical Complex is taken on techno economic considerations.