

	<i>Total Revenue Passenger Kilo- meters (PKMS)</i>	<i>Total Revenue Tonne Kilometers (RTKMS)</i>
1987-88	+ 16.4 %	+14.9%
1988-89	-0.8%	-1.0%
1989-90	+ 3.4. %	+5.1%
1990-91	-4.1 %	-4.2%
1991-92	-8.5 %	-16.9%

(b) and (c). The average annual growth rate of PKMS during the last five years has been a little higher than during the previous five years. However, due to the impact of Gulf crisis, continued recession in the western countries discontinuation of B-747 freighter service w.e.f. May, 1991, the average annual growth rate in RTKMS has been lower during this period than the previous five years.

(d) Air India has planned an annual growth rate of 6.1% in the Eighth Five Year Plan period. Four B-747-400 aircraft are being acquired during 1993-94 to augment capacity in order to achieve a higher growth rate.

#### **Linking of Ganga Nahar with Indira Gandhi Canal**

4622. SHRIMATIVASUNDHARA RAJE: Will the Minister of WATER RESOURCES be pleased to state:

(a) whether the project to connect the Ganga Nahar with Indira Gandhi canal has been taken up; and

(b) if so, the expected time of the completion?

THE MINISTER OF WATER RESOURCES (SHRI VIDYACHARAN SHUKLA): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) As per the State Government the work is likely to be completed by end of December, 1992.

[Translation]

#### **Postal Facilities In Village Post Offices in Madhya Pradesh**

4623. SHRI SHIVRAJ SINGH CHAUHAN: Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

(a) the number of village post offices in Madhya Pradesh where the P.C.O., telegram and saving bank facilities are available;

(b) whether the Government propose to provide these facilities in all the rural post offices in the near future;

(c) if so, the details thereof; and

(d) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI P.V. RANGAYANAIDU): (a) Savings Bank: