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16.	Meghalya	-	-	-	-	-	-
17.	Nagland	-	-	-	-	-	-
18.	Orissa	-	-	-	100	54	6,23&42
19.	Pondicherry	-	-	-	-	-	-
20.	Punjab	-	-	-	-	-	-
21.	Rajasthan	55	55	8	88	68	11A,12&14
22.	Tamil Nadu	8	8	7	65	63	49
23.	Uttar Pradesh	35	35	2&24	-	-	-
24.	West Bengal	42	42	2	75	75	31C,32,34,35 & 55

### Repair of DTC Buses

2954. DR. RAMKRISHNA KUSMARIA : Will the Minister of SURFACE TRANSPORT be pleased to state:

(a) whether most of the buses of the Delhi Transport Corporation are out of order;

(b) the total number of buses in D.T.C. fleet and the number of buses out of order as on date;

(c) the number of buses plying within Delhi and on inter-State routes respectively;

(d) whether the Government propose to repair the buses lying in out of order condition; and

(e) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF SURFACE TRANSPORT (SHRI JAGDISH TYTLER) : (a) No, Sir.

(b) As on 16-4-95, DTC had a fleet strength of 3480 buses, out of which 1166 buses were held up for want of tyre and spare etc. apart from 348 buses which were off the road as per normal repair and maintenance activities.

(c) As on 16-4-95, 1205 buses operated in city and 761 buses operated on Inter-State routes.

(d) and (e). Necessary repair and maintenance of the buses is a continuous process and is carried out in a phased manner subject to availability of funds.

### India China Expert Group Meeting

2955. SHRI A. VENKATESH NAIK : Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state :

(a) whether a number of meetings of India-China Expert Group on border issue have been held for identification of Line of Actual Control;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the progress made so far as a result of these meetings?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI R.L. BHATIA) : (a) to (c). The India-China Expert Group, which has been set up to assist the India-China Joint working Group in implementation of the Agreement on the Maintenance of Peace and Tranquillity Along the Line of Actual Control in the India-China Border Areas, has met thrice so far, in New Delhi, February 2-4, 1994, in Beijing, April 21-22, 1994, and New Delhi, March 2-4, 1995.

2. The mandate of the Expert Group includes clarification of the line of actual control (LAC) between India and China, reduction of military forces along the India-China LAC, other confidence building measures and verification methods.

3. At its second meeting, the two sides reached agreement on the Work Regulations of the Expert Group which spells out the mandate, future tasks and modalities of the Expert Group.

4. At its third meeting, both sides noted with satisfaction that the situation along the India-China LAC was peaceful. Continuing their discussions on additional confidence building measures, they had a useful exchange of views on the drafts on prior notification of military exercises and prevention of air intrusions. They also agreed that additional designated points for meetings between the border personnel of the two countries would be established at Nathu La in the Sikkim Sector and a point to be agreed in the Middle Sector of the India-China border areas.

5. Discussions in the Expert Group are progressing smoothly, with the two sides adopting a constructive and forward-looking approach. The next meeting of the Expert Group will be held in Beijing at a mutually convenient date in 1995.

[*Translation*]

### Development of National Highways

2956. SHRI BIR SINGH MAHATO : Will the Minister of SURFACE TRANSPORT be pleased to state :

(a) the details of the projects submitted by the Governments of West Bengal and Bihar for development