AND CIVIL AVIATION (SHRI CHANDULAL CHANDRAKAR): (a) and (b) The question of constructing any more Yatri Niwases (Janata Hotels) would be considered only after watching the operational results for 2-3 years after commissioning of the Delhi Ashok Yatri Niwas which is a pilot project.

Fall in the production of Mill Cloth in Organised Sector

6493. SHRI R. K. MHALGI: Will the Minister of COMMERCE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the share of mill cloth produced in organised sector to total cloth produced in the country is continuously falling;
- (b) the figures of cotton cloth produced by mills during the preceding three years;
- (c) whether the profitability of the textile industry is comparably lower than other industries; and
- (d) whether the central excise duty collected on cloth and yarn in 1978-79 was about Rs. 200.07 crores which was 100 per cent more than the duty collected in 1970-71?

THE MINISTER OF COMMERCE AND STEEL AND MINES (SHRI PRANAB MUKHERJEE): (a) Yes, Sir. The percentage share of mill sector production of all cloth to total production of cloth has come down from 74.21 in 1951 to 39.07 in 1979.

(b) The production of cotton cloth by the mill sector—during the last three years is as under:—

1977—3,223 million metres. 1978—3,251 million metres. 1979—3,206 million metres.

(c) The figures of profitability of the cotton textile industry as compared to other industries are available from the year 1970-71 to 1975-76. It is seen therefrom that profitability of cotton textile industry is generally lower as compared to other industries except in the year 1973-74 when it was slightly more as compared to other industries.

(d) The excise revenue collected on cotton yarn and cotton fabrics was Rs. 191.23 crores in 1978-79 as against Rs. 94.73 crores in 1971-72. The perincrease in the excise centage of revenue for cotton yarn and fabrics in 1978-79 over 1971-72 works out to 101.87 per cent. In addition to basic excise duty, the cotton fabrics also subjected to additional excise duty in lieu of sale tax. Since details of revenue collection in respect of additional duty in lieu of sale tax are not available, the above figures do not include the revenue collected from the additional duty.

Essential Commodities allotted to Maharashtra

6494. SHRI R. K. MHALGI: Will the Minister of CIVIL SUPPLIES be pleased to lay a statement showing:

- (a) how many metric tonnes/ litres of (1) cement (2) coal (3) sugar (4) diesel (5) kerosene (6) rice and (7) wheat were allotted to Maharashtra during January to June, 1980 as against the corresponding months of 1979;
- (b) the actual requirements of Maharashtra for these essential commodities; and
- (c) what steps/measures were taken to meet the shortfall?

THE MINISTER OF CIVIL SUPPLIES (SHRI V. C. SHUKLA): (a) and (b) A statement is annexed.

(c) The shortfall is in respect. of wheat (for the period from March to June, 1980) and soft coke. The allotment of wheat was reduced from 90,000 tonnes to 75,000 tonnes per month as the off-take of wheat for public distribution was reported to be less than the allotment being made. The shortfall in the case of soft coke is due to non-availability of Railway Wagons for movement and the Ministry of Railways have been requested to make wagons available for movement of soft coke to Maharashtra.

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As regard parts (b) & (c), no request has been received from Maharashtra Government after reintroduction of partial control on sugar from 17-12-79 for increase in the existing monthly quota of sugar of 24,743 tonnes.