- (b) No, Sir.
- (c) Does not arise.

Pay Scales of Railway Doctors

1127. DR. LAXMINARAYAN PANDEY: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Railway doctors at the Sixteenth Conference of All India Railway Doctors Association held in February, 1989 demanded pay scales and other facilities comparable to the doctors serving under Central Government:
- (b) whether there is also a demand for the regularisation of the services of ad hoc doctors; and
- (c) if so, the details in this regard and the action taken thereon?

THE MINISTER FOR RAILWAYS (SHRI GEORGE FERNANDES): (a) Yes, Sir. The Sixteenth Annual General Body Meeting of the Railway Medical Officers' Association, however, was held on 1st March, 1990 and not in February, 1989.

(b) and (c). Yes, Sir. So far 253 ad hoc Assistant Medical officers have been regularised as Assistant Divisional Medical Officers in Group 'A' Service after due screening by Union Public Service Commission. About 149 ad hoc doctors are still working on the Indian Railways and for regularisation of their services, a request has already been forwarded to the Union Public Service Commission for consideration.

Stoppages of Mira Express

1128. SHRI GULAB CHAND KATARIA: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether there is any proposal to provide a halt of Mira Express running from Udaipur to Jodhpur at Amber and Deogarh in Udaipur district;
 - (b) if so, when; and
 - (c) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF RAILWAYS (SHRI GEORGE FERNANDES): (a) to (c). There is no train as Mira Express running between Jodhpur and Udaipur. Also, there is no station as Amber. However, stoppage of 4851/4852 Udaipur-Jodhpur-Rewari Express at Devgarh Madariya is not considered justified.

[English]

Cancellation and delay in Flights of Indian Airlines

1129. SHRI KAMAL CHAUDHRY: SHRI H.K.L. BHAGAT:

Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of flights cancelled and delayed from Delhi and other major cities like Bombay, Calcutta, Madras, Hyderabad and Bangalore during the last three months;
- (b) the reasons therefor and facilities provided to the passengers put to inconvenience due to cancellation, delay in flights etc.; and
- (c) the steps taken or proposed to be taken to improve the functioning of Indian Airlines?

THE MINISTER OF ENERGY AND MINISTER OF CIVIL AVIATION (SHRI ARIF MOHAMMAD KHAN): (a) and (b). During the period December, 1989 to February, 1990, out of 12,041 flights operated by In-