mation, research and training activities in the energy conservation filed. The Centre also is involved in campaigns to build up public awareness on the need for conservation of energy. No quantifiable targets have been laid down for the Centre.

## Export of Vegetables, Fruits and Flowers

8171. SHRI H.D. DEVEGOWDA: Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION AND TOUR-ISM be pleased to state:

- (a) the number of cargo planes run by the Indian Airlines/ Air India or any other private airlines every week to export vegetables, fruits, flowers and the names of the countries to which these are exported; and
- (b) the capacity of each cargo plane and the quantum of vegetables, fruits, flowers exported every week?

THE MINISTER OF CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM (SHRI MADHAVRAO SCINDIA): (a) and (b). Presently, there are no dedicated freighter services for export of fruits/vegetables/flowers. Such perishable cargo is carried on normal cargo/scheduled flights.

## Steel Plants in Eighth Plan

8172. SHRI SATYAGOPAL MISRA: Will the Minister of STEEL be pleased to state:

- (a) whether there is any proposal to set up steel plants in public sector during the Eighth Plan period;
  - (b) if so, the details thereof; and
  - (c) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF STEEL (SHRI SONTOSH MOHAN DEV): (a) to (c). In view of the

limited availability of resources, there is no proposal to set up new steel plants in the public sector during the Eighth Plan period.

## Bio-Gas Plants in M.P.

8173. SHRI ANAND AHIRWAR: Will the Minister of POWER AND NON-CON-VENTIONAL ENERGY SOURCES be pleased to state:

- (a) the number of bio-gas plants in Madhya Pradesh at present;
- (b) the number of bio-gas plants proposed to be set up during 1992-93; and
  - (c) the locations thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE FOR POWER AND NON-CONVENTIONAL ENERGY SOURCES (SHRI KALP NATH RAI): (a) A total of about 45,600 family type biogas plants and 75 community and Institutional Biogas Plants have been set up in the State of Madhya Pradesh upto 1991-92 under the Centrally Sponsored Schemes, namely, National Project for Biogas Development and Community and Institutional Biogas Plants Programme, respectively.

- (b) A target of 1.35 lakh family type bioga plants and 50 Community, Institutional and Night-soil Biogas Plants has been proposed for 1992-93 under the National Project for Biogas Development and Community and Institutional Biogas Plants programme respectivebly. For Madhya Pradesh, a target of 3300 family biogas plants has been proposed. The target for the Community Biogas Plants would be decided by the State later.
- (c) These plants are being set up in a very large number of villages for which exact locations are decided by the State Governments and Programme implementing agencies.