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Changes Proposed for Delhi Police

2524. DR. KRUPASINDHU BHOI: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether some far reaching changes are proposed for the Delhi Police;
 - (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) how far it will go in making the law and order situation better in Delhi?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRIMATI RAM DULARI SINHA): (a) to (c). Recommendations made by a Group constituted to undertake a quick study of Delhi Police Administration are under examination by the Delhi Administration and the Ministry of Home Affairs for follow up action.

Akali Dal to go Ahead with Action Plan

2525. SHRI BHOLA NATH SEN: SHRI ANAND SINGH:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether attention of Government has been drawn to the news item "Akali Dal to go ahead with Action Plan", which has appeared in the Hindustan Times of March 20, 1985.;
- (b) if so, the details of the Action Plan and the ultimatum if any served by the Akali Dal;
- (c) what are the present demands of Akali Dal; and
- (d) the steps taken/proposed to be taken by Government?

THE MINISTER OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI S.B. CHAVAN): (a) to (d). Government have seen press reports adout the programme of the Akali Dal. No communication has been received from them in regard to their present demands.

A Cabinet Committee consisting of three Ministers which has been formed to study the problem and to look at alternatives for a peaceful settlement as early as possible, is currently looking into various aspects of the matter. A number of Akali leaders, who were under detention, have been released with a view to create a congenial atmosphere for furthering solution of the problem. The Committee has already met a cross section of society at Chandigarh. It would shortly visit other places also in Punjab.

Increase in Operational Expenses of Air India, Indian Airlines and Vayudoot due to Hike in Petroleum Prices.

2526. SHRI BHOLA NATH SEN: SHRIMATI KISHORI SINHA:

Will the Minister of TOURISM AND CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the operational expenses of Air India, Indian Airlines and Vayudoot are likely to go up as a result of the recent hike in the petroleum prices;
 - (b) if so, the details thereof?
- (c) how these airlines are expected to meet the additional expenditures on fuel; and
- (d) whether there is any proposal to increase the air fares to meet the additional expenditure?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF TOURISM AND CIVIL AVIATION (SHRI ASHOK GEHLOT):
(a) Yes, Sir.

- (b) The operating expenses of Indian Airlines and Vayudoot are estimated to increase by Rs. 35.72 erores, and Rs. 75 lakhs respectively. In the case of Air India, the hike in petroleum prices would affect operations only on the domestic sectors and on practice flights which will involve an additional expenditure of Rs. 40 to 50 lakhs.
- (e) and (d). The additional expenditure would have an adverse effect on the operating results of Indian Airlines and Vayudoot necessitating an upward revision in the fares. Air India will be able to absorb the additional expenditure.