

(b) whether Government propose to consider increasing the number of flights to 7 days a week again;

(c) whether enquiries/inspections are made to ensure that all flights on this route are in good condition and pose no hazards; and

(d) if so, how often are such inspections made and what have been the latest reports?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF CIVIL AVIATION (SHRI JAGDISH TYTLER): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) No, Sir, because the flights had a low seat factor, particularly on Fridays.

(c) Yes, Sir.

(d) Inspections are carried out in accordance with the requirements of the Director General of Civil Aviation, prior to each flight, each time the aircraft lands at any station enroute.

Publicity of International Flights from Hyderabad Airport

4413. SHRI S. PALAKONDRAYUDU: Will the Minister of TRANSPORT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the publicity being given in respect of International flights from Hyderabad (Andhra Pradesh) is inadequate; and

(b) if so, steps taken for more publicity?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF CIVIL AVIATION (SHRI JAGDISH TYTLER): (a) and (b). No, Sir. The publicity given in respect of introduction of international flights from Hyderabad was as per the publicity plan of Air India for new flights. It was duly advertised in various English, Telugu and Urdu dailies. It was also shown in T.V. spots over Hyderabad in Urdu and in hoardings, posters and press advertisements.

Allocation of Funds for Andhra Pradesh Universities

4414. SHRI S. PALAKONDRAYUDU: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Education Ministers of Southern States protested to Union Government about the allocation of funds and facilities;

(b) the amount likely to be sanctioned to Andhra Pradesh universities for education to be spent during Seventh Plan; and

(c) time by which Government would release more funds for education to Andhra Pradesh?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENTS OF EDUCATION AND CULTURE (SHRIMATI SUSHILA ROHATGI): (a) A meeting of the Education Ministers of Southern States in July 1985 had expressed the view that the grants sanctioned by the UGC to the universities and colleges in South have not been commensurate with their needs. The Conference had suggested the establishment of a regional office of the UGC in the South to ensure timely and adequate flow of grants.

(b) The UGC has proposed a tentative allocation of Rs. 650 lakhs to the six universities in Andhra Pradesh for their general development during the Seventh Plan. In addition, these universities will receive separate grants for implementation of specified quality improvement programmes of the UGC.

(c) From the available outlay for higher education in the Seventh Plan, funds will be released to the universities and colleges in Andhra Pradesh and other States for implementation of the programmes approved by the UGC according to the norms prescribed by the Commission.

Extension of Suburban Trains from Secunderabad to Manoharabad

4415. SHRI S. PALAKONDRAYUDU: Will the Minister of TRANSPORT be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is any proposal with the Government to extend the suburban trains from Secunderabad to Manoharabad in Andhra Pradesh (South Central Railway);

(b) whether the Ministry have received any representations from the residents, milk