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Vayudoot services between Bangalore and Hassan

3429 SHRI V. S. KRISHNA IYER: Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Belur and Halebid and Shravanabe lagola famous tourist places are located in Hassan district of Karnataka;
- (b) whether it is proposed to introduce Vayudoot services between Bangalore and Hassan to facilitate a large number of foreign and domestic tourists to visit these tourist spots; and
 - (c) if so, the details thereof?

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

(b) and (c). Hassan is not included in the list of stations proposed to be airlinked by Vayudoot during the current plan period.

Doubling of railway lines in Kerala

3430. SHRI V. S. VIJAYARAGHA-VAN: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state :

- (a) whether the doubling of track in Kerala is in progress;
- (b) if so, the total length of track which has been doubled;
- (c) whether work has started on the Ernakulam-Trivandrum sector; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof and the time by which it is likely to be completed?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI MADHAVRAO SCINDIA): (a) Approved doublings have been commissioned to traffic. On these some residual works are yet to be completed.

(b) 177 kms.

(c) and (d). Work has been taken up on Ernakulam-Alleppey-Kayankulam new line. Its completion will depend on availability of resources in the coming years.

Change in days of running of Kerala Express

- 3431. SHRI V. S. VIJAYARAGHAVAN: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state :
- (a) whether days on which the Kerala Express runs are proposed to be changed;
- (b) if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor:
- (c) whether the proposed change will cause inconvenience to the passengers; and
- (d) if so, whether the present arrangement will be allowed to continue?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI MADHAVRAO SCINDIA): (a) and (b). Due to integration of the rake links of Kerala Express, Karnataka Express and G.T. Express, the days of service of Kerala Express will be changed to Tuesdays and Saturdays Ex. Trivandrum and Wednesdays and Saturdays Ex New Delhi from April, 1987.

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

National highways passing through Rajasthan

- 3432. SHRI BANWARI LAL BAIRWA: Will the Minister of SURFACE TRANSPORT be pleased to state :
- (a) the length of various national highways passing through the State of Rajasthan;
- (b) whether Government are aware that the section of National Highway No. 12 passing through Tonk in Rajasthan requires widening; and
- (c) if so, the stpes proposed to be taken by Government in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF SURFACE TRANSPORT (SHRI RAJESH PILOT): (a) The length of