

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

(b) Offers were received from eleven agencies, of which seven were shortlisted for giving presentation of their plans. Out of these seven agencies, only six gave presentation of their plans. No offer has been received from Non-Resident Indians.

(c) No offer has been accepted so far.

(d) The revenue on this account is estimated to be about Rs. 1.25 crore per annum.

Circular Railway for Hyderabad and Secunderabad

4279. SHRI T. BALA GOUD : Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that the Government of Andhra Pradesh has come forward to share the cost of the circular railway line for Hyderabad and Secunderabad project ; and

(b) if so, the reasons for delay in the implementation of the project ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI MADHAVRAO SCINDIA) : (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The question of Central assistance to the State Government in respect of Circular Railway is a matter to be taken up by the State Government with Planning Commission. Action on this rests with the State Government.

Increase in Death Rate in Tribal Areas of Madhya Pradesh

4280. SHRI PARASRAM BHARDWAJ : Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state :

(a) whether Government made any assessment that population of tribals in

certain parts of Madhya Pradesh (Adi-vasi areas) is decreasing due to increase in death rate ;

(b) if so, the details thereof ;

(c) whether Government propose to start any mass immunisation Programme in those areas of Madhya Pradesh ; and

(d) if so, the details thereof ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (KUMARI SAROJ KHAPARDE) : (a) and (b). The Ministry of Health and Family Welfare have no information that the death rate in population of tribals in certain parts of Madhya Pradesh is increasing. According to the last census of 1981, the population of tribals in Madhya Pradesh is not decreasing.

(c) and (d). The Government has started the Universal Immunization Programme in the country with the objective of reducing morbidity and mortality due to diphtheria, whoopirs cough, tetanus, polio-myelitis, measles, tuberculoses and typhoid fever. Under this programme it aimed to achieve 10% coverage of pregnant women with 2 doses of tetanus toxoide (TT) and 85% infants with 3 doses each of DPT and OPV and 1 dose of measles and BCG vaccines, by 1990. Under the Universal Immunization Programme in Madhya Pradesh, we have covered the districts of Sagar, Gwalior, Shivpuri, West Nimar, Surguja and Jagdalpur till 1986-87. We propose to cover in stages all the districts in the State by 1990.

Coaches in Indian Railways

4281. SHRI NARAYAN CHOUBEY : Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state :

(a) the number of coaches in the Indian Railways and the number of coaches in bad condition but are in use due to shortage of coaches ;

(b) the extent of shortage of coaches (category-wise) such as AC, AC-II sleeper,