Air India Funds in Foreign Countries

1380. SHRI AMAL DATTA: Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to refer to the reply given to Unstarred Question No. 3287 on 17 August, 1987 regarding restriction on remittances by airlines and state the yearwise accumulation of funds of Air India in various countries?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF CIVIL AVIATION AND MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINIS-TRY OF TOURISM (SHRI JAGDISH TYTLER): Year-wise accumulation of Air India's funds in various countries are as under:

Country	1986-87		(Rupees in crores)	
		1985-86	1984-85	1980-84 and carlier
Nigeria	10.83	10.06	2.49	
Iraq	2.42	8.48	9.28	2.06
Iran	0.41	0.70	0.59	4.51
Zambia	0.55	0.45	0.58	0.22
Libya	0.47	0.65		-
Other Countries	0.09	0.12	0.28	0.54

Alternate Crops in Case of Failure of Rains

1381. PROF. NARAIN CHAND PARASHAR : Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state :

(a) whether any attention has been paid to the evolution of a suitable strategy for growing alternate crops, in case of failure or inordinate delay in the onset of monsoon or other rains, so essential for sowing and growing the crops;

(b) If so, the outline and nature thereof and the steps taken in this regard during the past three years including the current financial year; and

(c) if not, whether such a strategy would be evolved in the view of the serious and recurring droughts faced by the country?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE AND COOPERATION IN THE MINIS-TRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI YOGENDRA MAKWANA): (a) Yes, Sir, (b) The ICAR research system and other research organisations have evolved suitable strategy for growing alternate crops keeping in view the rainfall situation. These recommendations are being followed in development programmes. For the current year the State Governments were advised a contingency plan for alternate crop strat egy.

(c) Question does not arise.

Selection of Community Development Blocks in Hill State by NIRD

1382. PROF. NARAIN CHAND PARASHAR: Will the Minister of AGRI-CULTURE be pleased to refer to the reply given to Unstarred Question No. 99 on 27 July, 1987 regarding selection of Community Development Blocks in Hill States by NIRD and state :

(a) whether the formulation of the Development Plan for Nadaun Block of Hamirpur District (HP), undertaken by the National Institue of Rural Development, Hyderabad has since been completed: