sorted to in epidemic situations to take care of high risk groups like medical and para-medical personnel.

Decline in Traffic of Air India

3616. SHRI SHARAD DIGHE: Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the share of international traffic of Air India is gradually declining;
- (b) whether Vayudoot has recorded losses; and
- (c) if so, the measures Government propose to take in each case?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF LABOUR (SHRI JAGDISH TYTLER): (a) No, Sir. There was an increase of over 3% in the share of Air India of the total international market from and into India in the financial year 1986-87 as compared to financial year 1985-86.

- (b) Vayudoot suffered a loss of Rs. 160.50 lakhs during 1985-86 and recorded a profit of Rs. 6.00 lakhs during 1986-87. In 1987-88, it is likely to incur losses.
- (c) Vayudoot has taken the following steps to improve the economics of the services:
 - 1. Rationalisation of routes,
 - 2. Effective marketing;

- Monitoring of routewise performance;
- 4. Change in timings to suit the convenience of the commuters, etc.

Languages offered by Students of CBSE Examination, 1987

3617. SHRI SYED SHAHABUDDIN: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DE-VELOPMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) the total number of candidates who appeared in the Central Board of Secondary Education Final Examination, 1987;
- (b) the number of students who offered English (A or B) and Hindi (A or B) as the two compulsory languages;
- (c) the number of candidates who offered a third language as additional subject for their final examination; and
- (d) the break-up of the above by language?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DE-PARTMENTS OF EDUCATION AND CUL-TURE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RE-SOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI L.P. SHAHI): (a) The total number of students who appeared in the All India Secondary Examination, 1987 and Delhi Secondary Examination, 1987 are 86744 and 75825 respectively.

(b) The number of students who offered English (A or B) and Hindi (A or B) as two compulsory languages is as under:

	All India Secondary Examination, 1987	Delhi Secondary Examination, 1987
English-A	710 4 9	6104
English-B	14952	60824
Hindi-A	54249	64511
Hindi-B	18194	1565

(c) The number of candidates who offered a third language as additional subject for their final examination in the All India Secondary Examination and Delhi Secondary Examination is 1905 and 4575 respectively.

(d) The break-up of the candidates by languages is as under:

	All India Secondary Examination, 1987	Delhi Secondary Examination, 1987
English-A	32	3 ·
English-B	52	2530
Hindi-A	374	170
Hindi-B	111	31
Urdu	~	26
Punjabi	970	10
Bengali	6	-
Tamil	69	~
Manipuri	3	
Malayalam	16	-
Kannada	17	-
Arabic	~	68
French	30	_
Russian	1	-
Sanskrit	222	1672
Persian	2	63
Sindhi	•	2

Expenditure on Official Tours

3618. SHRI KAMLA PRASAD SINGH: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) the amount spent on tours by railway officials within and outside the country during 1987 and how does this compare with the amounts spent each year in 1984, 1985 and 1986;
- (b) the details of the savings accrued, in 1987 on official tours consequent to the instructions issued by Government in view of the severe drought and floods in 1987;
- (c) whether the savings are in tune with the instructions and, if not, the reasons for not effecting the desired savings; and
- (d) the steps taken to achieve the targetted savings?