

ing in these areas will be considered as and when resources and other priorities permit.

(d) Does not arise in view of reply to (c).

**Reduction in air fare to Gulf Sector**

1651. PROF. P.J. KURIEN : Will the Minister of TRANSPORT be pleased to state :

(a) whether Government have taken up the question of reducing the air fare for the Gulf-sector with the I.A.T.A.;

(b) if so, the result thereof;

(c) if not, the reasons therefor ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF CIVIL AVIATION (SHRI JAGDISH TYTLER) : (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

(c) I.A.T.A. is a body of airlines and not of Governments. Therefore, it is not appropriate for Government to take up the issue of air fares with IATA.

**Sambalpur-Talchar Rail Line**

1652. SHRIMATI JAYANTI PATNAIK :

SHRI BRAJA MOHAN MOHANTY :

Will the Minister of TRANSPORT be pleased to state :

(a) the estimated cost of Sambalpur-Talchar rail line in Orissa;

(b) the amount sanctioned for the construction of that line so far ;

(c) the year by which the construction of the above line is expected to be completed; and

(d) the progress made in this regard ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF RAILWAYS (SHRI

MADHAVRAO SCINDIA) : (a) Rs. 58 crores.

(b) Rs. 5 crores upto March, 1986.

(c) The completion of the line will depend on the availability of resources in the coming years.

(d) Its present progress is 3%.

**Allocation of funds for Railway Projects by Planning Commission**

1653. SHRI B.V. DESAI : Will the Minister of TRANSPORT be pleased to state :

(a) whether the Planning Commission has promised higher allocation during 1986-87 Plan on the condition that Railways contribution amounted to at least 50 per cent; and

(b) if so, whether the plans prepared by the Railways for 1986-87 are free from any possibility of their being cut or shelved on the plea of shortage of funds ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF RAILWAYS (SHRI MADHAVRAO SCINDIA) : (a) No Sir. In any case in the approved outlay of Rs. 2650 crores for 1986-87 the Railways are contributing Rs. 1335 crores that is about 52% from their own internal resources.

(b) No cuts in this outlay are expected.

**Review of Activities of Sports Organisations and State Governments**

1654. SHRI BALASAHEB VIKHE PATIL : Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state :

(a) whether a review has been made by the Sports Authority of India about the activities of the sports organisations and State Governments in the field of sports promotion; and

(b) if so, the details of the review made ?