development of their personality and making them functionally efficient, economically productive and socially useful to the extent possible.

- (b) Yes, Sir.
- (c) Does not arise.

#### [Translation]

#### Admission to Student Below 17 Years in Delhi University

- 1961. SHRI SARFARAZ AHMAD: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:
- (a) the number of such students who passed Senior Secondary Examination but could not get admission this year in Delhi University because of their being under 17 years of age:
- (b) whether it is a fact that last Year some students of less than Years in age were given admission in Delhi University because of intervention;
- (c) if so, the reasons for refusing admission to such students this year, and
- (d) the steps being taken by Government to help such students?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENTS OF EDUCATION AND (SHRIMATI KRISHNA CULTURE SAHI): (a) The minimum age for edmission to First Year of various undergraduate courses prescribed under the Delhi University Act is 17 years before the 1st October of the year of admission. The Act also empowers the Vice-Chancellor to grant on the basis of individual merit, relaxation in age upto a maximum period of six months. The students are required to register themselves for admission directly with respective Colleges and since admissions will continue upto August 14, 1986, it will not be possible at this stage to indicate the number of students who could not get admission for being below 17 years of age.

- (b) Yes, Sir, Two students were provisionally admitted last year under directions from Courts.
- (c) and (d). The Delhi University has appointed a Committee to look into the desirability of the Continuation of the existing provisions regarding admission of such students.

### [English]

#### X-Ray Machine at Indira Gandhi International Airport

- 1962. SHRI C. MADHAV REDDI: Will the Minister of TRANSPORT be pleased to state:
- (a) whether it is a fact that failure of X-ray machine used for baggage check at the Indira Gandhi International Airport on 4 June, 1986 caused chaos and delay to a number of airline flights:
- (b) whether there are any other alternative arrangements at the Indira Gandhi International Airport to check the baggage of the passengers when X-ray machine fails; and
- (c) whether Government would instal sufficient number of X-ray machines at the said Airport for screening the baggage of the passengers so that there is no harassment of passengers and delay to flights?

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

- (b) In case of failure of X-Ray machine, manual checking is done.
- (c) In view of (a) above question does not arise.

## Backlog of Posts reserved for SC/ST candidates in Railways

- 1963, SHRI K.D. SULTANPURI: Will the Minister of TRASPORT be pleased to state:
- (a) the backlog of reserved posts meant for Scheduled Caste and Scheduled

Tribe candidateds in various zonal Railways in the country as on the 31st March 1986 category-wise;

- (b) the steps Government propose to take to fill this backlog; and
- (c) whether there is any proposal to include atleast one Scheduled Caste and Scheduled Tribe member in the Railway Board?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF (SHRI MADHAVRAO SCINDIA): (a) and (b). The information is being collected from the zonal Railways and will be laid on the table of the Sabha.

(c) No, Sir.

# [Translation]

## Expansion of Railways in Bihar

**PRASAD** 1964. SHRI KALI PANDEY: Will the Minister of TRANS-PORT be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of the schemes for expansion of railway network in Bihar during the severth Five Year Plan;
- (b) the names of rail lines in Bihar alongwith their total length proposed to be electrified during this period; and
- (c) the time by which this work is likely to be completed?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF RAILWAYS (SHRI MADHAVRAO SCINDIA): (a) Construction of new line between Talgaria and Tupkadih is likely to be completed in 1987. Doublings, viz. Kiul-Jamalpur-Bhagalpur (patch), Garwa Road-Sonnagar (Patch), Sahibganj link Cabin-New Farakka-Malda Town, Kandra-Gomharria, Bokaro Steel City to 'A' Cabin, Kumedpur-New Jalpaiguri (Patch) are approved projects. Their completion will, however, depend on availability of resources in the coming years.

(b) and (c). Following rail lines are to be electrified in the VIIth Plan:

- 1. Colliery lines in Chandrapura complex comprising of the following:
  - (i) Bhojudih-Mohuda 42 kms. already Gomoh completed by March, 1986.
- (ii) Gomoh-Chandra-48 kms. to be pura-Bokaro Steel completed in 1986-87. City; and
- (iii) Mohuda-Chandrapura

[English]

Passenger kilometer recorded by Air India

1965. SHRI AMAL DATTA: Will the Minister of TRANSPORT be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the passenger Kilometer recorded by Air-India during the last 3 years compares unfavourably with the number of passengers carried, figures year wise;
- (b) the total number of passengers of Air India in the Gulf route compared to total number of passengers carried during the last 3 years; and
- (c) the revenue earned from the Gulf routes by Air India compared to the total revenue during the last 3 years?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF CIVIL AVIATION(SHRI JAGDISH TYTLER): (a) The passenger kilometer achieved and the passenger numbers carried by an airline are not comparable because whereas one is a multiple of the passenger numbers carried over various distances, the other indicates the actual passenger numbers carried and is totally unrelated to distance e g. during 1983-84 Air-India recorded a. 7.8 per cent growth in passenger kilometer whereas the actual number of passenger increased by 5.9 per cent.

(b) The passenger traffic uplifted by Air-India on the India-Gulf route during the last three years, compared to total traffic carried is given below: