(c) Government have allowed 100 per cent neutralisation in respect of employees drawing pay upto Rs. 400 p.m. in order to protect fully such employees against erosion of their standards of consumption through rise in prices. In respect of higher paid employees, only partial compensation is provided for rise in cost of living.

Expansion of terminal facilities at Srinagar Airport

3850. DR. KARAN SINGH: Will the Minister of TOURISM AND CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether the newly constructed terminal at the Srinagar Airport is already proving too small to handle the growing traffic there; and

(b) if so, what steps are being taken to expand the terminal facilities there?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF TOURISM AND CIVIL AVIATION (SHRI CHANDULAL CHANDRAKAR): (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

Construction of Airport at Hassan in narnataka

3851 SHRI H. N. NANJE GOWDA: Will the Minister of TOURISM AND CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that an airport is being constructed at Hassan in Karnataka to connect it with other airports;

(b) if so, when the construction work started;

(c) what would be the total estimated cost when completed;

(d) whether it is also a fact that the construction work has been suspended and if so, reasons therefor; and

(e) by what time the construction work is likely to be completed and the airport ready for service? THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF TOURISM AND CIVIL AVIATION (SHRI CHANDU-LAL CHANDRAKAR): (a) to (e). A fair weather strip suitable for Dakota operation was constructed at Hassan in 1970 at a cost of Rs. 6.78 lakhs. There is, at present, no proposal to develop the Hassan airstrip further as neither the Indian Airlines nor any non-scheduled operator has evinced any interest in operating to Hassan.

New International and domestic passenger terminals at international airports

3852. SHRI SAIFUDDIN (HOW-DHARY Will the Minister of TOURI-SM AND CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are considering to build new international and domestic passenger terminals at all four international Airports, Delhi, Bombay, Calcutta and Madras; and

(b) if so, details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STAFE IN THE MINISTRY OF TOURISM AND CIVIL AVIATION (SHRI CHANDU-LAL CHANDRAKAR): (a) and (b). The programme for construction of new terminals at the four international airports is as follows

Bombay

Passenger International New Terminal Complex (Phase I) at a cost of Rs. 16.79 crores is under construction and is likely to be commissioned this year. It will have an area of 40,000 sq. mts. and a handling capacity of 2.5 million passengers The existing terminal annually. for domestic will be used entirely traffic, once the new terminal is commissioned.

The second phase of the terminal complex is estimated to cost Rs. 22.49 crores and will be similar to the first one. The proposal is under active consideration of the Government.