

हुए, विभिन्न विमान क्षेत्रों पर प्रत्यक्ष सुविधाओं के विस्तार का कार्य चरणबद्ध तरीके से प्रारम्भ किया जा रहा है। यह एक लगातार चलने वाली प्रक्रिया है।

**Decline in Quality of Maintenance and Upkeep of High Tech Aircraft**

4472. SHRI ARJUN SETHI : Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state :

(a) whether the attention of Government has been drawn to the 'Hindustan Times' of 26th February, 1984, that recent study by the Directorate of System Evaluation (DSE) at Air Headquarters, examined the serious demoralisation of Indian Air Force engineers and the consequent decline in the quality of maintenance and upkeep of advanced High Tech Aircraft ;

(b) if so, the details in this regard ; and

(c) the reaction of Government thereto ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF DEFENCE (SHRI K.P. SINGH DEO) : (a) Government have seen the news item in the 'Hindustan Times' of 26-2-1984. It is, however, not a fact that there has been any demoralisation of Indian Air Force Engineers or any decline in the quality of service rendered by them.

(b) and (c) Do not arise in view of (a) above.

**Export of Indian Cloth to U. S. S. R.**

4473. SHRI N. E. HORO : Will the Minister of COMMERCE be pleased to state :

(a) whether attention of Government has been drawn to the "Business Standard" of 21 February, 1984 stating that the Soviet Union has proposed that

export of Indian cloth be linked to import of Soviet Textile machinery ;

(b) whether it is also a fact that exporters are not happy over the new development though they admit that to some extent it may not be applicable to the recently negotiated export order with Soviet Union in 1984 ; and

(c) if so, the details regarding the new conditions under negotiations or finalised in this regard between the two countries ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE AND IN THE DEPARTMENT OF SUPPLY (SHRI NIHAR RANJAN LASKAR) (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) and (c) Government is not aware of any proposal having recently been made by the Soviet side for linking their imports of textile items from India with the export of their textile machinery. However, in 1981 they made a suggestion for purchase of 500 million metres of cotton fabrics per annum over and above their normal annual imports. At that time, the suggestion to supply textile machinery and raw cotton to India was mentioned.

**Profit/Loss of Public Sector Companies**

4474. SHRI R. PRABHU : Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state the anticipated profits of the public sector companies during the year 1983-84.

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI S. M. KRISHNA) : It is too early to assess the results for the public sector companies as a whole.

**Backlog of vacancies reserved for Scheduled Castes/Scheduled Tribes in the Ministry of Supply.**

4475. SHRI RAM VILAS PASWAN : Will the Minister of SUPPLY be pleased to State :

(a) Whether there is a backlog in regard to the filing of vacancies of Class I to Class IV reserved for Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes in various categories of jobs in his Ministry, and if so, the reasons thereof ;

(b) whether any efforts have been made to fill up these vacancies reserved for Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes ; and

(c) the time by which the backlog of vacancies reserved for Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes is likely to be completed ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE AND IN THE DEPARTMENT OF SUPPLY) (SHRI NIHAR RANJAN LASKAR : (a) Yes, Sir.

The classification of Class I to Class IV have been revised and re-classified as Group 'A', Group 'B', Group 'C' and Group 'D' respectively. The Deptt. of Personnel & Admn. Reforms and the Controller General of Accounts are responsible for the application of reservation orders in respect of Group 'A' posts of the Central Secretariat Service and the Group 'A' & 'B' posts of the office of the Chief Controller of Accounts, Deptt. of Supply, respectively. In regards to Group 'A', Group 'B', Group 'C' and Group 'D' posts under the recruitment control of Deptt. of Supply, there is backlog in these categories of posts on account of non-availability of eligible/qualified suitable candidates belonging to Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes.

(b) Yes, Sir. All possible efforts are made to fill up the reserved vacancies by Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes candidates, through DP & AR, UPSC, SSC and Ministry of Finance.

(c) All efforts are being made to fill up the backlog.

#### Requirement of Cloth of Department and Undertakings

4476. PROF. RUPCHAND PAL : Will the Minister of COMMERCE be pleased to state :

(a) the total requirement of cloth and other items for Government Department and Public Sector Undertakings, Departmentwise and sector-wise details thereof;

(b) whether the National Textile Corporation is competent enough to meet the total requirement of cloth by these Departments and Undertakings ;

(c) if not, whether Government are proposing to nationalise some more textile mills soon ; and

(d) if so, details thereof ?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE (SHRI P. A. SANGMA) : (a) Information is being collected and will be laid on the table of the House.

(b) to (d) NTC will supply textile fabrics to Government Departments to the extent possible, In cases where NTC is unable to meet their requirements, they could procure the same through DGS & D.

#### Construction of Aerodrome in Simla

4477. SHRI NAWAL KISHORE SHARMA : Will the Minister of TOURISM AND CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that the construction of an aerodrome at Simla, the capital of Himanchal Pradesh has been stalled ;

(b) if so, the reasons for not starting construction thereof ;

(c) whether it is a fact that Simla is the only State capital in the northern region which is not connected by air ; and