THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF TOURISM AND CIVIL AVIATION (SHRI KHURSHEED ALAM KHAN): (1) Additional security check at ladder point has been introduced at a few sensitive airports only including Srinagar. Some Indian Airlines flights at Srinagar were delayed on account of the additional security check.

(b) In order to avoid any delay in flights from Srinagar airport due to the additional security check, it has been decided that the reporting time for passengers will be two hours before the departure of Airbus flights and 90 minutes before Bosing 737 departures. Check-in-counters will be closed 45 minutes prior to the departure for Airbus flights and 30 minutes prior to the departure of Bosing flights.

Introduction of Vayudoot Service to Habii

3042. SHRI D.K. NAIKAR: Will the Minister of TOURISM AND CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

- (a) the progress achieved in respect of introduction of Vayudoot Service to Hubli in Karnataka; and
- (b) the time by which Hubli will be connected by Vayudoot Service ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF TOURISM AND CIVIL AVIATION (SHRI KHURSHEED ALAM KHAN): (a) and (b). A traffic survey conducted by Vayudoot indicates the existence of traffic potential to operate flights to Hubit. The operation of services, will, commerce after the sirport has been constructed and other infrastructural facilities are developed. For this purpose, land has been acquired and the detailed estimates of construction and development are under preparation by the State PWD in consultation with the Director General of Civil Aviation.

Proposal to start a new Air Service to Gulf countries by Air India

3043. SHRI A.K. BALAN: Will the

Minister of TOURISM AND CIVIL AVIA-TION be pleased to state:

- (a) the amount collected as fare by Air India from the Gulf passengers in the year 1983:
- (b) the share of the 'Keralites' Gulf passengers in the same year:
- (c) whether there is presently any proposal to start new services to Gulf countries by Air India; and
 - (d) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF TOURISM AND CIVIL AVIATION (SHRI KHURSHEED ALAM KHAN): (a) Air India earned a total revenue of approximately Rs. 220 crores in the year 1983-84 as fare.

- (b) Statewise traffic statistics are not maintained.
 - (c) No. Sir.
 - (d) Does not arise.

Multifibre Arrangement

3044. SHRI RAMPRASAD AHIRWAR: SHRI SATISH AGARWAL:

Will the Minister of COMMERCE be pleased to state:

- (a) the specific measures envisaged in the Multifibre Arrangement to enable the apparel importing countries to shift their resources engaged in uncompetitive lines of production and provide for larger imports from competitive apparel exporting countries like India;
- (b) the specific steps taken by the US and each EBC member country in last few years to shift investment and human resources from their uncompetitive apparel industries to more competitive lines of production and the steps taken by Government to remind these Governments of such obligations under MFA; and