

December, 1958. Since then it is being renewed periodically and is at present valid upto 31st March 1972.

(c) The company is at present operating on the following three routes :

1. Calcutta-Agartala.
2. Calcutta-Jalpaiguri via Purnea.
3. Calcutta-Jalpaiguri-Telcpara-Grassmore-Bhatpara-Newlands.

#### Planes owned by Jamair Airlines

3791. SHRI BIRENDER SINGH RAO : Will the Minister of TOURISM AND CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state :

(a) the number of planes owned by Jamair Airlines at present in the country ;

(b) the estimated value of the planes ; and

(c) the number of planes of this company which crashed so far and the reasons therefor ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF TOURISM AND CIVIL AVIATION (DR. SAROJINI MAHISHI) : (a) and (b). The fleet of Jamair consists of three Skymasters and three Dakotas and their value is estimated at Rs. 27.5 lakhs. (This does not include two Dakotas valued at about Rs 6 lakhs which were involved in fatal accidents in the recent past).

(c) Two Dakotas were involved in major accidents—one on 5th December 1970 near Safdarjung aerodrome and the other on 26th March 1971 near Hashimara.

The investigation report in respect of accident on 5th December 1970 has been received recently and is under examination. The accident on 26th March 1971 near Hashimara is under investigation by a Court of Inquiry.

#### Demand for Devaluation of Indian Rupee by World Bank

3792. SHRI INDRAJIT GUPTA : Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state :

(a) whether the World Bank had demanded for further devaluation of the Indian rupee ;

(b) if so, the reasons therefor ; and

(c) the decision taken by Government in the matter ?

THE MINISTER OF FINANCE (SHRI YESHWANTRAO CHAVAN) : (a) No, Sir.

(b) and (c). Do not arise.

#### Loan from World Bank for Purchase of Tractors

3793. SHRI C. K. CHANDRAPPAN : Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state :

(a) whether India had entered into an agreement with the World Bank for a loan to finance 10,000 tractors to be made available from United States of America, United Kingdom and West Germany ;

(b) the approximate price for one tractor imported according to this agreement ; and

(c) the approximate price of more or less the same type of tractor imported from the Socialist countries ?

THE MINISTER OF FINANCE (SHRI YESHWANTRAO CHAVAN) : (a) During the last one year, Government of India has signed five development credit agreements with the International Development Association, an affiliate of the World Bank, for agricultural credit projects in the States of Gujarat, Punjab, Andhra Pradesh, Haryana and Tamil Nadu. The Credit amount in each case provides for import of agricultural tractors as under Gujarat (2200) Punjab (8000), Andhra Pradesh (1500), Haryana (6000) and Tamil Nadu (1500) over a two to three year period. Tractors are to be imported from those suppliers in the World Bank Member Countries and Switzerland, who have established tractor manufacturing facilities in India, or have obtained necessary approvals of the Government of India, for manufacture of tractors in India.

(b) and (c). Orders have not yet been placed for the import of tractors under the Agreements mentioned in part (a) above.

#### Contract for interior decoration of Hotel Building at Chanakypuri taken over by ITDC from N. D. M. C.

3794. SHRI C. K. CHANDRAPPAN : Will the Minister of TOURISM AND