- (vii) Indo-Japanese Economic Relations.
- (viii) The Development of International Law Concepts in Indian History.
- (ix) The United Nations and India-Pakistan Conflict.
- (x) Studies in India's Foreign Relations (1947-64) during the Nehru Era.
- (xi) The United States and last Phase of Struggle for Indian Independence, 1939-45.
- (xii) A Study of U.S.-Indian Relations During the Truman Years.
- (xiii) India and the Peace-Making in Indo-China, 1954-66.
- (xiv) The United States Economic Relations with India 1947-64.
- (xv) India and the Commonwealth 1947-64: A Documentary Study.

INDIAN SCHOOL OF INTERNATIONAL STUDIES

3359. SHRI HEM BARUA: Will the Minister of EDUCATION be pleased to state:

- (a) the names and academic qualifications of the incumbents in the post of Director, Indian School of International Studies since its inception:
- (b) the academic curriculum vitae of the present Director;
- (c) whether it is a fact that recently the Director had submitted his resignation if so, its outcome;
- (d) whether it is a fact that a number of persons who are leading experts in their subjects have been removed from the academic faculty; and
- (e) if so, the steps being taken to maintain the academic calibre of research and teaching in international relations at the Indian School of International Studies?

THE MINISTER OF EDUCATION (DR. TRIGUNA SEN): (a) and (b). The following persons have been the Director of the School since its inception:

- (i) Dr. A. Appadorai, from September 1955 to December, 1964.
- (ii) Dr. A. K. Das Gupta, Acting Director from Dec. 1964 to February 1965.
- (iii) Dr. M. S. Rajan, from February 1965 to-date.

The academic qualifications and other relevant particulars are given in Annexure laid on the Table of the House. [Placed in Library, See No. LT-401/68].

- (c) Yes, Sir, but later he withdrew the resignation.
  - (d) No. Sir.
  - (e) Does not arise.

PURCHASE OF AIRCRAFT FOR I.A.C.

3360. SHRI VIKRAM CHAND MAHA-JAN: Will the Minister of TOURISM AND CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state the total amount spent for the purchase of Aircraft for Indian Airlines Corporation in the last two years?

THE MINISTER OF TOURISM AND CIVIL AVIATION (DR. KARAN SINGH): The I.A.C. purchases aircraft on long-term loans. The position of the Corporation's total commitments and the actual payments made by it towards the purchase of aircraft in 1966-67 and 1967-68 is as follows:—

1966-67 1967-68 (Rupees in lakhs) 700.72 673.40

Actual payment towards cost of aircraft 316.65 404.96 Interest paid on loan. 59.12 84.82 Customs Duty paid. 20.86 13.00

Total Commitment:

AIR SERVICE TO LAHAUL AND SPITT

3361. SHRI VIKRAM CHAND MAHAJAN: Will the Minister of TOURISM AND CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it is a fact that areas like Lahaul and Spiti (Himachal Pradesh) are snow bound for more than six months in a year and there are no means of communication between them and the rest of India during this period except by air; and
- (b) if so, whether Government have any proposal to connect these areas by an air service?

THE MINISTER OF TOURISM AND CIVIL AVIATION (DR. KARAN SINGH): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) On account of the difficult nature of the terrain a suitable site for making an airstrip is hard to find. Further, due to adverse weather conditions and negligible air traffic potential, air services to these places even if these were possible would involve substantial financial loss.