Kannara-Thoppamkadav Road in Kerala

494. Shri A. K. Gopalan: Will the Minister of Transport be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Government have stopped the construction of Kannara-Thappumkadav Road in Trichur District Kerala:

(b) if so, the reasons therefor;

(c) whether Government propose to take up this work; and

(d) if so, when?

The Deputy Minister in the Ministry of Transport (Shri Mohiuddin): (a) to (d). The Kannara-Thoppamkadav road is a village road in the Trichur District of the Kerala State and its improvement is primarily the responsibility of the Government of Kerala. They have intimated that the work is not included in the State Government's budget for 1965-66. It has therefore not been possible for them to sanction the estimate for the improvement of this road.

Karuvankad-Pullankandam Road, Kerala

495. Shri A. K. Gopalan: Will the Minister of Transport be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have stopped the construction work of Karuvankad-Pullankandam Road in Trichur District, Kerala;

(b) if so, the reasons therefor;

(c) whether Government propose
to take up this work; and

(d) if so, when?

The Deputy Minister in the Ministry of Transport (Shri Mohiuddin): (a) to (d). The Karuvankad-Pullankandam road is a State Road Project. The Government of Kerala are, therefore, primarily concerned in the matter. The information is being collected from the State Government and will be laid on the Table of the Sabha in due course.

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Madras-Colombo Air Service

496. Shri A. V. Raghavan: Will the Minister of Civil Aviation be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is any proposal to operate viscount service from Madras to Colombo via Trichinapoly; and

(b) if so, the decision taken in the matter?

The Minister of Transport (Shri Raj Bahadur): (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

Research Project

497. Shri Ram Harkh Yadav: Will the Minister of Food and Agriculture be pleased to state:

(a) whether the various Constituent Boards of the Indian Council of Agricultural Research at the recent meetings recommended several Research Projects for investigation; and

(b) if so, the details thereof?

The Deputy Minister in the Ministry of Food and Agriculture (Shri Shahnawaz Khan): (a) Yes, in addition to recommending extension of a number of Research Projects already in operation.

(b) A list of the projects is placed on the Table of the House. [Placed in Library. See LT-4596/65].

Construction of Hospital under Employees' State Insurance Scheme in Delhi

498. Shri Ram Harkh Yaday: Will the Minister of Social Security be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government propose to set up a big hospital in the Capital under the Employees' State Insurance Corporation;

(b) if so, the details of the scheme; and

(c) the estimated expenditure thereon?