

घासिक स्थान जहाँ भारत के हर क्षेत्र के लोग प्रेम और निष्ठा के साथ एकत्रित होते हैं और अपने मतभेद भुलाकर विचारों का आदान प्रदान करते हैं, भारत में भावनात्मक एकता स्थापित करने में बहुत सहायक है ;

(ख) यदि हां, तो क्या सरकार का विचार लोगों को इन पवित्र स्थानों की यात्रा करने के लिये कोई विशेष प्रोत्साहन देने का है ; और

(ग) यदि हां, तो उसका व्यौरा क्या है ?

पर्यटन तथा असैनिक उड्डयन मंत्री : (डा० कर्ण सिंह) : (क) जी, हां ।

(ख) और (ग). सीमित साधनों के कारण, फिलहाल सरकार इस प्रकार की स्कीमों को हाथ में लेने की स्थिति में नहीं है, यद्यपि पर्यटन विकास की सामान्य योजनाओं में घासिक महत्त्व के कई स्थान सम्मिलित किये गये हैं ।

Use of Boeing-747 by Air India

1929. SHRI S. K. TAPURIAH ;
SHRI N. K. SOMANI ।

Will the Minister of TOURISM AND CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact Boeing-747 will be put on international commercial flights early next year ;

(b) the number of services likely to touch Indian Airports regularly ;

(c) in view of the fact that each Boeing 747 aircraft will carry either 362 or 490 travellers, have the necessary landing, transit, customs and handling arrangements been finalised at our International airports ; and

(d) the number of transit hotels to be built near airports for this additional traffic ?

THE MINISTER OF TOURISM AND CIVIL AVIATION (DR. KARAN

SINGH) : (a) Boeing-747s are expected to be introduced on international routes some time in 1970.

(b) The latest schedules filed by various international airlines operating to/through India for the period November, 1969 to March, 1970 do not envisage operations of Boeing-747s at Indian airports.

(c) Government is seized of the problem of facilitation which has two aspects ; (i) provision of added facilities at airport terminals, and (ii) simplification of paper work relating to frontier formalities such as customs, immigration and health clearance.

On (i) above, a Committee under the chairmanship of Shai J. R. D. Tata recently examined the matter and made important recommendations towards modernising the terminal and other facilities at international airports in India. These have generally been accepted by Government.

As regards (ii), a high level Inter-Departmental Committee for facilitation has been meeting periodically to look into the various policy aspects of frontier formalities to ensure that decisions are taken on a broader basis and implemented without delay.

(d) Air India has under consideration a proposal for construction of a transit hotel at Bombay airport. India Tourism Development Corporation also plans to build a transit hotel at Calcutta airport.

Delivery of Boeing-747 Aircrafts to Air-India

1930. SHRI S. K. TAPURIAH ;
SHRI N. K. SOMANI ;
SHRI MAHARAJ SINGH
BHARATI ;
SHRI BENI SHANKER
SHARMA ;

Will the Minister of TOURISM AND CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state :

(a) when are the Boeing-747 aircrafts likely to be delivered to the Air-India ;

(b) how many aircrafts have been ordered and their phase of delivery ;

(c) the likely routes on which these aircrafts will be put ; and

(d) what are the new routes that Air-India would open after these aircrafts are put into operation ?

THE MINISTER OF TOURISM AND CIVIL AVIATION (DR. KARAN SINGH): (a) and (b). Air-India have placed orders for 3 Boeing 747s ; two of which are expected to be received during March-April 1971 and the third in March 1972.

(c) It is proposed to utilise these aircraft on the India—U. K.—U.S. A. route.

(d) When the Boeing 747s are received, some extra capacity will become available in the Boeing 707 fleet. The proposal is to utilise this for extension of Air-India services from East Africa to West Africa.

Allocation of Staff to new Departments of National Institute of Education

1931. **SHRI P. ANTONY REDDY :** Will the Minister of EDUCATION AND YOUTH SERVICES be pleased to state :

(a) whether any criterion has been followed for allocation of staff to the new departments/units of the National Institute of Education (National Council of Educational Research and Training) subsequent to its reorganisation ; and

(b) if so, the details thereof ?

THE MINISTER OF EDUCATION AND YOUTH SERVICES (DR. V. K. R. V. RAO) : (a) and (b). The Joint Director had made temporary arrangements by distributing the available staff among the new departments. The matter will be reviewed by the Governing Body of the Council.

Remaining Department of Curriculum and Evaluation as Department of Text Books

1932. **SHRI P. ANTONY REDDY :** Will the Minister of EDUCATION AND YOUTH SERVICES be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that the Evaluation Unit of the erstwhile Department of Curriculum and Evaluation of the National

Council of Educational Research and Training has been renamed as Department of Text-books with one or two minor changes ; and

(b) if so, the justification thereof ?

THE MINISTER OF EDUCATION AND YOUTH SERVICES (DR. V.K.R.V. RAO) : (a) No, Sir. The functions of the Department of Text-books are different from those of the Evaluation Unit of the former Department of Curriculum and Evaluation. The Unit attended to examination reform. The new Department of Text-books will be incharge of the following work :

- (i) Advise States on Evaluation of text-books and Improvement of their quality ;
 - (ii) Training of text-book writers, artists etc. ;
 - (iii) Producing model text-books and textual materials ;
 - (iv) Act as co-ordinating agency in matters of text-book production, printing and distribution.
- (b) Does not arise.

Condition of Evaluation Programmes after Abolition of Evaluation Department

1933. **SHRI P. ANTONY REDDY :**
SHRI E. K. NAYANAR :

Will the Minister of EDUCATION AND YOUTH SERVICES be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that evaluation programmes are still continuing even though the Curriculum and Evaluation Department of the National Council of Educational Research has been abolished and the Department of Text-books is giving shelter to these programmes ; and

(b) if so, the reasons therefor ?

THE MINISTER OF EDUCATION AND YOUTH SERVICES (DR. V.K.R.V. RAO) : (a) and (b). The National Institute