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Trainee Aircrafts

1011. SHRI MOHAN RAWALE : Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state :

(a) the total number of trainee aircrafts in the country at present;

(b) whether these aircrafts are considered sufficient for imparting training to pilots in the country;

(c) if not, whether any efforts were made by the Government to acquire more trainee aircrafts;

(d) if so, the details thereof; and

(e) the number of such new trainee aircrafts added to the existing fleet during the last three years?

THE MINISTER OF CIVIL AVIATION AND MINISTER OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (SHRI C.M. IBRAHIM) : (a) There are 169 trainee aircraft in the country at present.

(b) No, Sir.

(c) and (d). Directorate General of Civil Aviation has placed orders on Bharat Heavy Electricals Ltd for acquiring 20 aircraft, out of which 6 have already been

received and allotted to various flying clubs in the country.

(e) A total of 33 aircraft have been added during the last three years

Steel Plants in Orissa

1012. DR KRUPASINDHU BHOI : Will the Minister of STEEL be pleased to state

(a) whether the different private sector companies are interested to set up steel plants in Orissa;

(b) if so, the places selected by those companies to set up steel plants in the State;

(c) the capacity of each of those steel plants; and

(d) the details of infrastructural facilities created and proposed to be created by those companies for the above steel plants?

THE MINISTER OF STEEL AND MINISTER OF MINES (SHRI BIRENDRA PRASAD BAISHYA) : (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) and (c). The requisite information in respect of the steel plants, as made available by the State Government of Orissa, is as under :-

S No.	Name of the Unit	Location	Capacity (Million TPA)
1	2	3	4
1	Mideast Integrated Steel Limited	Integrated Industrial Complex, Duburi, Distt Jajpur	Phase I : 0.5 (Pig Iron) Phase II : 1.2 (Steel)
2	Mesco Kalinga Steel Limited	-do-	Ph. I : 2.25 (Pig Iron & Steel) Ph. II : 4.50 (-do-)
3	Bhushan Steel & Strips Limited	-do-	Ph. I : 1.20 (Steel) Ph. II : 3.00 (-do-)
4	Brahamani Iron & Steel Co. Ltd	-do-	0.35 (Steel)
5	Neelachal Ispat Nigam Limited	-do-	(i) 0.50 (Pig Iron) (ii) 0.60 (Steel)
6	Indian Seamless Steels & Alloys Ltd	-do-	Ph. I : 1.223 (Pig Iron) Ph. II : 3.800 (Steel) Ph. III : 6.808 (Steel)
7	Ganapati Exports Limited	-do-	Ph. I : 2.58 (Steel) Ph. II : 5.89 (-do-)
8	Tata Iron & Steel Company Limited	Gopalpur Distt Ganjam	Ph. I : 2.50 (Steel) To be expanded to 10 million tpa.
9	Larsen & Toubro Ltd	-do-	Ph. I : 2.60 (Steel) To be expanded to 6 to 7 million tpa.

1	2	3	4
10.	National Steel Industries Ltd.	Nayagarh Distt. Keonjhar	Ph. I : 0.88 (Steel) Ph. II : 1.20 -do-
11.	Mid West Iron & Steel Limited.	-do-	Ph. I : 0.20 (Pig Iron) Ph. II : 0.50 (Steel)
12.	Jindal Strips Ltd.	Budhapanka Distt.-Angul.	0.50 (Steel)

(d) According to the information made available by the State Government of Orissa, major infrastructural facilities such as development of road, water resources, railway sidings and allied facilities and power intake points etc. are proposed to be developed by the individual steel plants with the assistance and co-operation of the State Government and the Central Government. However, in Duburi where the projects are coming up in a cluster, the necessary infrastructure work is planned to be undertaken by a consortium of these projects through the Infrastructural Development Corporation of the State and other authorities.

New Wage Agreement

1013. SHRI KODIKUNNIL SURESH : Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state :

(a) whether the Indian Airlines pilots have got a massive pay hike under the new wage agreement signed on January 27, 1996;

(b) if so, the main features of this agreement;

(c) whether this new agreement likely to create any additional revenue; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF CIVIL AVIATION AND MINISTER OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (SHRI C.M. IBRAHIM) : (a) to (d) Indian Airlines has signed a Productivity Linked Memorandum of Settlement with Indian Commercial Pilots' Association on 26.1.96, which, inter-alia covers payment to pilots based on hours of flying, their training and increased emoluments due to rationalisation of operation. It is expected to yield an additional revenue of Rs.180 crores per annum.

Assistance to Consumer Co-Operatives

1014. SHRI SARAT PATTANAYAK : Will the Minister of CIVIL SUPPLIES, CONSUMER AFFAIRS AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION be pleased to state :

(a) whether the Government are considering any proposal to provide financial assistance to promote the consumer co-operatives in the country; and

(b) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF FOOD AND MINISTER OF CIVIL SUPPLIES, CONSUMER AFFAIRS AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION (SHRI DEVENDRA PRASAD YADAV) :

(a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

Air Link for Bareilly

1015. SHRI SANTOSH KUMAR GANGWAR : Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state :

(a) whether the Government have received any proposal from the Govt. of Uttar Pradesh for linking Bareilly with air services;

(b) if so, the details thereof and the action taken/proposed to be taken by the Government thereon?

THE MINISTER OF CIVIL AVIATION AND MINISTER OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (SHRI C.M. IBRAHIM) : (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) Indian Airlines has, at present, no plans to airtlink Bareilly since the airport available there is not fit for operations by jet aircraft which is the only type of aircraft available in the fleet of Indian Airlines. However, private operators are encouraged to add new stations.

Foreign Tourists

1016. SHRI G.G. SWELL : Will the Minister of TOURISM be pleased to state

(a) the number of foreign tourists visited during the last twelve months, and

(b) the amount of foreign exchange earned, alongwith its comparison with China?

THE MINISTER OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS AND MINISTER OF TOURISM (SHRI SRIKANTA JENA) :

(a) As many as 22,19,021 (Provisional) foreign tourists visited India during the period from July 1995 to June 1996.

(b) The estimated foreign exchange earning of India from tourism during 1995 was Rs.8640.02 crores (US\$ 2754.26 million) as compared to US\$ 8733 million in the case of China.