

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF POWER AND NON-CONVENTIONAL ENERGY SOURCES (SHRI KALP NATH RAI) : (a) BHEL has so far taken up indigenous development of 55 KW and 200 KW wind generator units.

(b) No such comparative cost-benefit analysis has been made. According to BHEL, the average power and energy output of our machines will be comparable to those from other countries.

(c) and (d) For harnessing wind power in Sikkim, the State has been requested, as a first step, to convey their concurrence to the installation of equipment for collection of wind data at ten sites.

OVERBRIDGE AT ANNAMALAI NAGAR

923. DR. P. VALLABH PERUMAN : Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state :

(a) whether the Government propose to construct an overbridge at Annamalai Nagar level-crossing close to Chidambaram railway station in Tamil Nadu in view of the traffic congestion there; and

(b) if so, when the Government would take the necessary steps in this regard ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI MALLIKARJUN) : (a) No, Sir.

(b) The Railways can take action in the matter, only after the State Government sponsors a firm proposal for the facility, duly consenting to share the cost, as per rules.

OVERBRIDGE IN GHAZIABAD

924. SHRI RAMESH CHAND TOMAR: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state :

(a) whether the Government propose to construct an overbridge at Gaoshala railway crossing in Ghaziabad; and

(b) if so, the steps being taken in this regard ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI MALLIKARJUN) : (a) No Sir. It is proposed to construct an under bridge.

(b) The Railway is keeping in touch with the Ghaziabad Development Authority/State Government for early finalisation of the scheme so that the work can be taken up for execution.

[Translation]

CONNECTING OF INDORE WITH AHMEDABAD ETC. BY AIR SERVICE

925. SHRIMATI SUMITRA MAHAJAN: Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM be pleased to state :

(a) whether there is any proposal to connect Indore with Ahmedabad, Pune and Calcutta through air service;

(b) whether there is any scheme to provide direct flight between Indore and Bombay;

(c) if so, the details thereof;

(d) whether there is any proposal to change the existing local time-table and make it more convenient, particularly with regard to Indore; and

(e) if so, the details thereof ?

THE MINISTER OF CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM (SHRI MADHAV RAO SCINDIA) : (a) Indian Airlines proposes to operate twice a week B-737 service on Bombay-Ahmedabad-Indore route with effect from August 1, 1991. It has no plans at present to introduce services to Pune and Calcutta from Indore.

(b) and (c) Indian Airlines proposes to introduce a daily B-737 service on Bombay-Indore-Bhopal-Gwalior-Delhi and vice versa route with effect from August, 1991, thus providing a non-stop service between Indore and Bombay.

(d) No, Sir.

(e) Does not arise.