

**Airport in Sindhudurg Maharashtra**

5493. SHRI SUDHIR SAWANT: Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government have any proposal to construct an airport in Sindhudurg district of Maharashtra;

(b) if so, whether there is a plan to operate Indian Airlines flight from there; and

(c) if so, when and if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM (SHRI MADHAVRAO SCINDIA): (a). No Sir.

(b) and (c): Do not arise.

[Translation]

**Railway Projects in Bihar**

5494. SHRI TEJ NARAYAN SINGH: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government of Bihar has submitted proposals for constructing railway projects to the Union Government in the State;

(b) if so, the details thereof and the action taken thereon;

(c) whether the State Government has also proposed to afford some part of cost involving in the construction of some of the railways lines; and

(d) if so, the details in regard thereto?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI MALIKARJUN): (a) and (b). A Number of demands were discussed between the Bihar Govt. and Railway Ministry from time to time. In an inter-Ministerial Meeting in July '89 the State Govt. put forward two projects:-

i) Dehri-on-Sone-Akbarpur-Pipra-

dih with extension to Jadunathpur and Bhavnathpur (98 km)

ii) Muzzaffarpur-Narkatiaganj via Bettiah gauge conversion (155 km)

Regarding (i) the Bihar Govt. commissioned RITES for preparing a report on this line. The report has since been submitted to the Bihar Govt. for consideration. Regarding (ii) the proposal has been sent to the Planning Commission for their approval.

(c) Yes, Sir.

(d) A sum of Rs. 27 crores as cost of construction of Chhitauni-Bagaha rail-cum-road bridge is to be borne by the Bihar Government in a phased manner. Of this Govt. of Bihar has so far paid Rs. 2 crores till 1989-90. They have not so far paid their shares for 1990-91 and 1991-92 amounting to Rs. 19 crores. They are being pursued in the matter.

[English]

**Loans to Karnataka State Electricity Board by Power Finance Corporation**

5495. SHRIMATI BASAVA RAJESHWARI: Will the Minister of POWER AND NON-CONVENTIONAL ENERGY SOURCES be pleased to state :

(a) the total amount sanctioned by the Power Finance Corporation to the Karnataka State Electricity Board during 1989-90 and 1990-91;

(b) the extent to which these loans have been utilised; and

(c) the amount repaid by the Board to the Power Finance Corporation so far?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF POWER AND NON-CONVENTIONAL ENERGY SOURCES (SHRI KALP NATH RAI): (a) to (c). The position of loans to Karnataka State Electricity Board by the Power Finance Corporation is as follows :-