

[English]

**Research Projects by Scholars of
Andhra University**

4109. SHRI G.M.C. BALAYOGI: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether a large number of research projects submitted to UGC by various scholars of Andhra University during 1990 and 1991 are lying undecided;

(b) if so, details thereof alongwith date of this submission subject-wise;

(c) the reasons for the delay in sanctioning the projects; and

(d) the time by which these are likely to be sanctioned?

THE MINISTER OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI ARJUN SINGH): (a) to (d). The information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the House.

[Translation]

Reserved Posts

4110. SHRI HARIKEWALPRASAD:
SHRI SOMJIBHAI DAMOR:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) the zone-wise number of reserved posts in various categories lying vacant in the Indian Railways;

(b) the reasons for not filling up those vacancies; and

(c) the time by which these vacancies are likely to be filled up?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI MALIKARJUN): (a) to (c). No reserved posts are kept vacant. In fact, in case of non-availability of SC/ST candidates, the reserve vacancies are filled up by general candidates after de-reservation and carrying forward the reserved points except in recruitment categories where de-reservation has been banned with effect from 1.4.1989. However, the backlog in reserve quota for Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes on Zonal Railways as on 30.4.1991 was as under:-

Shortfall in recruitment as well as promotional categories are mainly due to non-availability of eligible/suitable SC/ST candidates particularly for Technical categories. Further, in certain promotional categories, it is not possible to make good the shortfall due to court injunctions restraining Railway Administrations from making reservation for the SCs/STs in promotion in such cadres where the representation of the SCs/ STs has reached to the extent of 15% for SCs and 71/2% for STs of the cadre strength.

Every effort is made to fill up the quota of vacancies reserved for SCs and STs by allowing various concessions and relaxations, within the constraints of court orders.

[English]

Metal Detectors at Airports

4111. SHRI M. KRISHNASWAMY: Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM be pleased to state:

(a) whether all the airports have been provided with metal detectors;

(b) whether the Government propose to instal bomb or explosive detector in all the airports to improve the security arrangements there; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM (SHRI MADHAVRAO SCINDIA): (a) 131 door frame metal detectors have been provided at 74 important airports. 460 Hand-held Metal Detectors have been supplied to all the 114 airports.

(b) Explosives vapour detectors have already been installed at the following sensitive airports:-

(1) Bombay, (2) Delhi, (3) Madras, (4)

Calcutta, (5) Trivandrum, (6) Trichy, (7) Chandigarh, (8) Goa, (9) Hyderabad, (10) Amritsar, (11) Varanasi, (12) Jammu and Kashmir, (13) Jaipur.

It is proposed to instal another 25 Explosive Vapour Detectors during the Eighth Five Year Plan period.

(c) Does not arise.

[Translation]

Appointment of Typists in Indian Airlines

4112. SHRI RAM NAGINA MISHRA: SHRI MORESWAR SAVE:

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

(a) whether a panel was formed for the appointment of typists in 1989 by the Indian Airlines, Northern Region;

(b) if so, the total number of candidates appointed therefrom so far and the time by which the remaining candidates are likely to be appointed;

(c) whether any candidates from SC/ST category are still required to be appointed out of the remaining candidates; and

(d) if so, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM (SHRI MADHAVRAO SCINDIA): (a) Two panels - one for English Typists and the other for bilingual Typists - were formed by Indian Airlines, Northern Region in 1989.

(b) to (d). The number of candidates appointed from each panel is as follows:-