

telecommunication facilities the project commenced in December, 1988 and is expected to be completed by December, 1993. The work is in progress on the road and telecommunication sectors. However, the progress of work in Bihar is slow because of delay in finalising the technical details and release of funds from the State budget.

Development of Tourism in A and N Islands

5099 SHRI MANORANJAN BHAKTA Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM be pleased to state

(a) whether the Union Government have formulated any plan for development of tourism in the Union Territory of Andaman and Nicobar Islands, and

(b) if so, the details of the infrastructure facilities proposed to be provided for the purpose?

THE MINISTER OF CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM (SHRI MADHAVRAO SCINDIA) (a) and (b) Yes, Sir. The Andaman & Nicobar Islands has been identified as a destination for development of tourism. On the fold of the projects along with the estimates received and at the request of the Union Territory administration, projects/schemes amounting to Rs 48.32 lakhs have been sanctioned for augmentation of tourism infrastructure during 1991-92.

[*Translation*]

International Airport at Nagpur

5100 SHRI GOVIDRAO NIKAM
SHRI YASHWANTRAOPATIL

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

(a) whether there is any proposal to

construct an international airport in Nagpur, Maharashtra,

(b) if so, the details thereof, and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor?

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

(b) Does not arise

(c) The existing five international airports viz, Delhi, Bombay, Calcutta, Madras and Trivandrum are considered sufficient to cater to current traffic needs.

[*English*]

Expansion of Bhubaneswar Airport

5101 SHRI SIVAJI PATNAIK Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM be pleased to state

(a) whether there is any proposal for the expansion of Bhubaneswar airport, and

(b) if so, when it is likely to be completed?

THE MINISTER OF CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM (SHRI MADHAVRAO SCINDIA) (a) Yes, Sir

(b) Extension of the runway and expansion of the facilities at the airport will be taken up in a phased manner from 1992-93 onwards.

Notional Bill Introduced by DESU

5102 SHRI GEORGE FERNANDES Will the Minister of POWER AND NON-CONVENTIONAL ENERGY SOURCES be pleased to state