Causal Workers in Indian Airlines and Air-India

- *965. PROF. K. V. THOMAS: Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:
- (a) the number of causal workers working in the Indian Airlines and Air-India;
 - (b) what is their wage structure;
- (c) whether these casual workers are supplied by contractors;
- (d) if so, the commission given to the contractor; and
- (e) the basis on which these casual workers are re-employed?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF LABOUR (SHRI JAGDISH TYTLER): (a) As on the 31st of March, 1988, there were 1008 and 712 casual workers working in Indian Airlines and Air India, respectively.

- (b) Wages of casual workers in Indian Airlines and Air India range from Rs. 30 to Rs. 47 per day.
 - (c) No, Sir.
 - (d) Does not arise.
- (e) In Indian Airlines, normally casual workers are engaged for a period not exceeding 90 days in a period of 12 consecutive months. There is no bar on their re-engagement after a period of 12 consecutive months. In Air India, casual workers are engaged for a period not exceeding 110 days and thereafter they are not re-engaged.

[Translation]

Projects for expansion of health services in Bihar

*966. SHRI RAM BHAGAT PASWAN: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

- (a) the projects of Government of Bihar for expansion of health services which are pending for approval of Union Government for Central assistance; and
- (b) the reasons for delay in taking a final decision on each of them?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (KUMARI SAROJ KHAPARDE): (a) and (b). A proposal for taking up the second phase of Area Project in Bihar is under consideration of the Ministry. The accounts of the first phase of the Area Project taken up in Bihar with the assistance of United Nations Fund for Population Activities (UNFPA) during 1980 to 1987 could not be finalised by the State Government and hence the delay in taking up the second phase of the project.

Per capita expenditure on Medical facilities in rural and urban areas

- *968. SHRI RAM PUJAN PATEL: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:
- (a) to comparative figures of per capita expenditure on providing medical facilities in rural and urban areas in the country;
- (b) whether Government propose to increase allocation of funds for rural areas; and
 - (c) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (KUMARI SAROJ KHAPARDE): (a) to (c). A Statement is given below.

STATEMENT

Comparative figures of per capita expenditure in Public Sector on Medical and Public Health and Family Welfare are not being generated separately for rural and urban areas. The Government has been making constant efforts to augment the health services for rural areas.

While Plan funds are not allocated in terms of rural and urban areas, the Mini-