

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRIMATI RAM DULARI SINHA) :  
(a) and (b) 4712 persons including youths and ladies were apprehended during Army action upto 30.6.1984.

(c) Prosecutions have been launched against those found involved in unlawful activities.

#### Environmental Policy

3340. SHRI SRIBALLAV PANIGRAHI : Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state :

(a) whether any Environmental Policy is being worked out; and

(b) if so, the details thereof ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS (SHRI BIR SEN) :  
(a) and (b) Tiwari Committee had suggested a draft National Environmental Policy Resolution for adoption. A copy of the Resolution is laid on the Table of the House. [Placed in Library. See No. LT—1083/85]. This has been accepted as a Policy framework to be elaborated into a Policy Resolution in due course. The broad approach to environmental items is given in the Sixth Plan and the Seventh Plan approach documents.

Briefly, the main areas of environmental concerns include the following :—

- Pollution monitoring and control;
- environmental impact assessment;
- conservation of biological diversity;
- demonstrating technologies for restoring degraded eco-systems/areas;
- promotion of environmental education, training;
- awareness, creation of environmental information systems;
- sponsoring research and development studies;

— enacting/reviewing existing environmental laws;

— encouraging States to create suitable environmental management structures and creation of advanced institutions of learning.

#### Vayudoot services between Imphal and Dimapur

3341. PROF. KAMSON MEIJINLUNG : Will the Minister of TOURISM AND CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state :

(a) in view of the statement made by the Prime Minister on the floor of this House on 20 March, 1985 that Vayudoot service is operated as special feeder service from the North East Region irrespective of its profit or loss, whether Government have already taken up necessary steps in this regard;

(b) if so, the number of Vayudoot services in operation in the North East region in particular and in other parts of the country in general;

(c) whether there is a proposal to introduce Vayudoot Service between Imphal and Dimapur;

(d) if so, when and how many times in a week and the approximate fare therefor; and

(e) the number of Vayudoot services to be introduced in the North East Region in the near future; the details thereof ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF TOURISM AND CIVIL AVIATION (SHRI ASHOK GEHLOT) :  
(a) and (b) Yes, Sir. Vayudoot is operating services in the North-Eastern region on the routes—(i) Calcutta/Shillong/Gauhati/Silchar and back and (ii) Calcutta/Cooch Behar/Calcutta. It operates 16 services in other parts of the country.

(c) No, Sir.

(d) Does not arise.