(c) Flights were operated from Bhopal on the same day to Jabalpur and Raipur immediately after landing during the following periods:—

1st to 5th May, 1990; 9th to 12th May, 1990; 14th to 31st May, 1990; 1st to 21st June, 1990; 23rd to 29th June, 1990; 8th to 11th July, 1990 30th and 31st July, 1990.

## Petrol/Diesel Pumps and LPG Agencies in Haryana

- 37. SHRI KAPIL DEV SHASTRI: Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND CHEMI-CALS be pleased to state:
- (a) when Government propose to conduct a survey of more sites in Haryana for allotting LPG agencies, petrol pumps and diesel pumps;
- (b) the criteria fixed for allotment of petrol pumps, diesel pumps and LPG agencies:
- (c) the location-wise names of agencies and dealerships proposed to be advertised; and
- (d) whether Government will give preference to the persons belonging to Scheduled Tribes and educated unemployed rural youths while allotting dealerships of aforesaid agencies?

THE MINISTER OF PETROLEUM AND CHEMICALS (SHRI M.S. GURU-PADASWAMY): (a) Periodic surveys are conducted by the Oil Industry to identify locations for development of Retail Outlets (Petrol/Diesel)/LPG distributorships.

(b) The marketing oil companies appoint Petrol/Diesel dealers on the basis of recommendations received from the concerned Oil Selection Boards. In making selection of candidates who meet the eligibility

conditions in regard to income, educational qualifications, residence, category, age, etc. the Oil Selection Boards take the following factors into account:

- (i) Personality;
- (ii) business ability/Salesmanship;
- (iii) capacity to arrange finance and capability to provide facilities;
- (iv) preparedness for working full time as a dealer; and
- (v) general assessment and extra curricular activities
- (c) Out of the Retail Outlets already planned, only one Retail Outlet at Samalkha is awaiting release of advertisement.
- (d) The existing policy regarding award of RO dealership/LPG distributorship provides for 25% reservation for Scheduled Castes/Scheduled Tribes. Educated unemployed rural youths possessing requisite qualifications can also obtain dealerships/distributorships, although no special preference is given to them.

[English]

## Passenger Service Between Howrah and Naihati

38. SHRI AMAL DATTA: Will the minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Government have received representations for starting passenger service between Howrah and Naihati of the Sealdah division of Eastern Railway:
  - (b) if so, the action taken thereon; and
  - (c) the reasons for not starting passen-