

vigilance squads and have been formulating system improvement schemes to strengthen and improve their transmission and distribution systems.

(c) During the year 1989-90, 1377684 installations were checked by the PSEB and 13488 cases of pilferage of energy were detected. Rs. 65.95 lakhs were collected as fine.

#### **Revival of Bengal Potteries Ltd**

102. SHRIMATI GEETA MUKHERJEE: Will the Minister of INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) whether there are some new proposals for the revival of Bengal Potteries Ltd.; and

(b) if so, the details of those proposals and the time by which they are expected of fructify?

THE MINISTER OF INDUSTRY (SHRI AJIT SINGH): (a) and (b) The State Govt. has been asked to quickly examine the possibility of setting up a new unit at the same site utilising as much of the existing assets and labour force as possible. The Central Government's existing decision is not to manage the unit any further in view of its non-viability.

[*Translation*]

#### **Sale of Sand Mixed Cement**

103. SHRI RAM LAL RAHI:  
SHRI HARISH PAL:  
DR. BANGALI SINGH:

Will the Minister of INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) whether sand mixed cement is being sold in Delhi and other parts of the country;

(b) if so, the number of such cases reported;

(c) the measures being taken by Government to check such corrupt practice and action taken against guilty persons; and

(d) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF INDUSTRY (SHRI AJIT SINGH): (a) and (b). No Report has been received about the mixing of sand in Cement in Delhi or other parts of the country.

(c) and (d) In order to ensure manufacture and sale of quality cement, the Cement (Quality Control) Order, 1962, was amended in the year 1983. As a result of this amendment, the standard mark of the Bureau of Indian Standards for cement became compulsory w.e.f. 1.7.1983. Each manufacturer is required to follow a scheme of testing and inspection by the BIS. Accordingly, all cement manufacturers are required to obtain compulsorily licence from BIS to use the standard mark of the Bureau on cement before marketing the product.

[*English*]

#### **Doubling of Railway Lines**

104. SHRI P NARSA REDDY: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state.

(a) whether Government have taken any decision to double some of the railway tracks in the country;

(b) if so, details thereof; and

(c) by when the tracks are likely to be completed and opened to traffic?

THE MINISTER OF RAILWAYS (SHRI GEORGE FERNANDES): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The details of works on doubling are

given under each railway in the works, Machinery and Rolling Stock Programme, Part-II, 1990-91. This book is supplied to each M.P. along with budget documents.

(c) Completion of doubling works is a continuous process. During 1989-90, 162 km of doubling was opened. In 1990-91 another 477 km are planned for opening.

[*Translation*]

### Construction of Airports in Punjab

105. SHRI S. ATINDER PAL SINGH:  
Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) the names of airports in various district of Punjab;

(b) the total number of flights operating daily from each airport;

(c) whether Government propose to expand the existing airports and construct more airports there;

(d) if so, the details thereof;

(e) the year-wise total expenditure incurred on the maintenance of these airports during the last three years; and

(f) the details of basic amenities avail-

able at all the airports?

THE MINISTER OF ENERGY AND MINISTER OF CIVIL AVIATION (SHRI ARIF MOHAMMAD KHAN): (a) There are 18 airports in various districts of Punjab, as listed in the statement, given below.

(b) While Indian Airlines are operating a daily flight in the route segment Delhi-Chandigarh-Amritsar-Jammu-Srinagar & back, through Amritsar airport, Vayudoot are also operating a daily flight between Delhi-Ludihana & back.

(c) There is no such proposal at present.

(d) Does not arise.

(e) (Rupees in lakhs in NAA airports)

1987-88	66.90
1988-89	59.71
1989-90	64.45
<b>Total</b>	<b>191.06</b>

(f) All the basic amenities required for scheduled airline operations, are available at the airports maintained by the National Airports Authority.

### STATEMENT

#### *Airports in Punjab*

<i>Sl. No.</i>	<i>Airport</i>	<i>District</i>
1	2	3
1.	Adampur	Jullundhar
2.	Amritsar	Amritsar