- (c) to avoid freight rates set at levels which cannot be justified by the normal criteria for freight rate structures, and also conference practices, which will have the effect of frustrating the export of a product from a developing country in order to encourage the export of the same product from another country served by the same conference, subject to the provision at (b):
- (d) to recognize port improvements leading to a reduction in the costs of shipping operations for the purpose of reviewing and adjusting freight rates as appropriate."

## Funds for Middle Schools in Delhi

\*939. SHRI D. N. PATODIA: SHRI D. C. SHARMA:

Will the Minister of EDUCATION be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it is a fact that the future of 435 Middle Schools in Delhi has become very uncertain because the Delhi Administration does not have funds to run them;
- (b) whether the Administration had approached the Union Government for additional funds but the same were not provided for in the budget allocation for 1968-69; and
- (c) if so, how Government propose to solve the issue?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EDUCATION (SHRI BHAGWAT JHA AZAD):

- (a) No. Sir.
- (b) No, Sir. These middle schools are still under the local bodies; hence the question of providing funds in the budget of the Delhi Administration for running them does not arise.
  - (c) Does not arise.

## Pay Scales of Pilots

- \*940. SHRI BHOGENDRA JHA: Will the Minister of TOURISM AND CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to refer to the reply given to Starred Question No. 262 on the 23rd February, 1968 and state:
- (a) whether the Tribunal set up to resolve the dispute regarding the comparative pay scales and allowances of the pilots of Air India and Indian Airlines Corporation has given its award; and
- (b) if so, the details thereof and the action taken by Govrnment thereon?

THE MINISTER OF TOURISM AND CIVIL AVIATION (DR. KARAN SINGH): (a) No. Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

## Assistance for Production of Text Books

- \*941. SHRI PREM CHAND VERMA: Will the Minister of EDU-CATION be pleased to state:
- (a) whether Government are giving financial assistance for the production of Text Books in Hindi and other Indian languages;
- (b) if so, whether the assistance is confined to text books for school education or it is also given for text books in the Universities;
- (c) how much money was allocated during the last year for the purpose language-wise and what funds are being allocated for the next year; and
- (d) whether State Governments also contribute to such financial assistance for regional language and if so, what percentage of funds is contributed by the State Governments?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EDUCATION (SHRI SHER SINGH): (a) The Government of India is giving financial