THE MINISTER OF STATE INTHE MINISTRY OF CIVIL AVIATION (SHRI SHRIPADYESSO NAIK): (a) 12 Senior Superintendents (Air Traffic Control) were initially nominated for training in ADC/Approach Control Course and one was nominated subsequently on 2.7.2002.

(b) and (c) Yes, Sir. On the job training is imparted for enhancing the performance/output of the officials and seniority is not the only criteria for nominating officials for such training. Merely completion of the course will not bestow any right upon the junior official for any out of turn promotion in violation of the seniority norms and laid down rules.

Air facilities to Sikkim

2088. SHRI RISHANG KEISHING: Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

- (a) the air link facilities extended to the States of North East including Sikkim;
 - (b) the aircraft handling capacities of the airports;
- (c) the airports where night landing facilities has been extended; and
- (d) the airport expansion/development programmes being taken up or to be taken up?

THE MINISTER OF STATE INTHE MINISTRY OF CIVIL AVIATION (SHRI SHRIPADYESSO NAIK): (a) At present Indian Airlines and Private Airlines operates air services to 9 destinations (namely Agartala, Aizwal, Dibrugarh, Dimapur, Guwahati, Imphal, Jorhat, Silchar and Tezpur) in the North East region.

(b) The aircraft handling capacities of the airports are as under:—

Airports	Aircraft Handling Capacity	
Guwahati	AB-300	
Lilabari	AB-320	
Dibrugarh	B-737	
Silchar	B-737	
Tezpur	B-737	

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Airports	Aircraft Handling Capacity
Jorhat	B-737
Dimapur	ÁB-320
Imphal	AB-320
Agartala	B-737
Lengpui	B-737

⁽c) Guwahati, Dibrugarh in Assam, Imphal in Manipur and Agartala in Tripura are having night landing facilities.

(d) The airport expansion/development programmes being taken up or to be taken up in North East Region are given in the Statement.

Statement

Airport Expansion/Development Programmes being taken up or to be taken up by AAI in North East Region

SI.No. State/Station	Scheme	Status
ASSAM		
1. Guwahati	Extension of existing runway From 9000 to 12000 ft. to make it suitable for B-747 class of aircraft operations.	Planning stage.
	Construction of two number of aerobridges	Drawings finalized. Work would be taken up during current financial year.
	There is a proposal to cons-	Planning stage.
	truct an international ter- minal building/cargo complex and an isolation bay with expansion of apron and link taxiway.	
	Construction of perimeter road	Work in progress.
	Construction of boundry-wall around newly acquired land	Work in progress.
2. Silchar	Extension of existing runway to 7500 ft. to make it suitable for AB-320 class of aircraft operations.	Land acquired. NOC is awaited from Ministry of Defence.

SI.N	o. State/Station	Scheme	Status
3.	Dibrugarh	Construction of a new terminal building suitable for 500 passengers at a time.	Land yet to be handed over by State Govt. to AAI.
		Extension of runway length to 7500 ft. to make it suitable for AB-320 class of aircraft operation.	Land yet to be handed over by State Govt. to AAI.
MAI	NIPUR		
1.	Imphal	Resurfacing of runway and construction of isolation bay	Work in progress.
NAG	GALAND		
1.	Dimapur	Installation of Instrument Landing System.	Obstructions are being removed by the State Govt. to facilitate installation.
TRII	PURA		
1,	Agartala	Extension of runway, construction of isolation bay perimeter road and allied works.	Work in progress.
ME	GHALAYA		
1.	Shillong	Construction of boundary wall	Work in progress.

Airborne Collision System at airports

2089. SHRI R. S. GAVAI: Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:-

- (a) whether the Airports Authority of India proposes to develop a Space-Based Augmentation System with the help of ISRO to prevent air accidents:
 - (b) if so, the details thereof;
 - (c) the progress made in this regard;
- (d) whether the Airborne Collision Avoidance System has been installed at all the major airports in the country; and