

With regard to the domestic terminal building, some design related defects regarding flooring and splashing of rain water through open louvers have been noticed and action is at hand to rectify these defects.

Expansion of AI Fleet

†1997. SHRI SWARAJ KAUSHAL: will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Government are of the view that increase in the capacity of Air India is urgently required and for this purpose new aeroplanes are immediately required to be added to its fleet;
- (b) if so, by when Government propose to induct new aeroplanes in fleet of Air India;
- (c) the amount estimated to be spent thereon; and
- (d) to what extent the capacity of air India is likely to be increased after induction of new aeroplanes?

THE MINISTER OF CIVIL AVIATION (SHRI SHARAD YADAV):
(a) to (d) Air India has been working at its fleet plan for sometime, but has not taken final decision so far. It is premature at this juncture to indicate the details regarding number of aircraft to be inducted by the airline, their estimated cost, time frame of their acquisition and increased in capacity after such induction.

Representation of minorities in Appointments in AI/1A/AAI/HCI

1998. SHRI K. RAHMAN KHAN: Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

- (a) the total number of appointments made during 1998 and 1999 by Indian Airlines, Air India, Airports Authority of India and Hotel Corporation of India;
- (b) the details of the different categories of these appointments;
- (c) whether adequate representation has been given to minorities in all the categories; and
- (d) if not, the reasons therefor?