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22	Tamil Nadu	15831	15814
23	Tripura	856 (4727 as per 1971 Census)	2734
24	Uttar Pradesh	112566	80617
25	West Bengal	38024	26853
TOTAL (States)		578009	472246
TOTAL (U.Ts.)		1123	1120
TOTAL (All India)		579132	473366

Setting up of Air Strip at Tigerhill in Darjeeling

1181. SHRI RATNA BAHADUR RAI: Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is any proposal for setting up of an air strip at Tigerhill in Darjeeling; and

(b) if so, what are the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF CIVIL AVIATION (SHRI HARMOHAN DHAWAN): (a) and (b) The National Airports Authority have examined the feasibility of constructing an air strip at Tigerhill in Darjeeling. The site is suitable for the construction of an air-strip of 6500'X150', for uni-directional day time operations upto HS-748 type of aircraft. The construction would, however, depend on the availability of resources, the viability of the operations to the airlines, and clearances being obtained from various agencies.

Revival of Bengal Flying Club, Calcutta

1182 PROF. SOURENDRA BHATTACHARJEE: Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Central Government have received any representation for the revival of Bengal Flying Club, Calcutta;

(b) whether it is a fact that for want of training facilities, willing youngmen of the State of West Bengal are being denied opportunities to become trained commercial pilots, and

(c) if so, what steps Government have taken for the immediate revival of this training institute?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF CIVIL AVIATION (SHRI HARMOHAN DHAWAN): (a) No, Sir.

(b) The Government Flying Training Institute, Behala is functioning at Calcutta to cater to the flying training requirements.

(c) Does not arise.

Power plants completed by NTPC and NHPC

1183. PROF. SOURENDRA BHATTACHARJEE: Will the Minister of ENERGY be pleased to state:

(a) the details of power plants both thermal and hydel executed and completed by