

**Rise in Cost of Training of IAF Pilots**

181. SHRI BIR BHADRA PRATAP SINGH;

SHRI BHAGATRAM MANHAR:

Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the cost of training pilots for the Indian Air Force (IAF) has gone up steeply during the last few months;

(b) if so, what are the reasons therefor; and

(c) what are the details regarding amount spent on the training of each pilot of various types of aircrafts and whether the pilots are also trained abroad; if so, the details thereof?

THE PRIME MINISTER (SHRI VISHWANATH PRATAP SINGH): (a) to (c) Cost of training of IAF pilots is worked out on a yearly basis. As the training pattern, flying syllabus and all other training infrastructure have remained unchanged in the last few months, no steep increase in training charges is anticipated on these accounts. Details of the amount spent per pilot during 1988 on training, are given below:-

Stage I—Rs. 20.60 lakhs.

Stage II—Rs. 34.26 lakhs.

Stage III.

(a) Fighter Stream—Rs. 73.82 lakhs

(b) Transport Stream—Rs. 40.83 lakhs

(c) Helicopter Stream—Rs. 10.00 lakhs

Training in all the above three stages is imparted within the country. In a few cases, pilots have been sent abroad, like other categories of personnel, for specialised training, chiefly relating to specific equipment.

**Shifting of National Missile Testing Range from Baliapal in Orissa**

182. SHRI BAIKUNTHA NATH SAHU' Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have a fresh proposal to shift the site of the National Missile Testing Range?

(b) if so, what is the new location;

(c) the reasons for shifting the site; and

(d) by when the National Missile Test Range is going to be shifted?

THE PRIME MINISTER (SHRI VISHWANATH PRATAP SINGH): (a) No, Sir.

(b) to (d) Does not arise.

183. [Transferred to the 29th December, 1989]

**Public Investments in the Eighth Five Year Plan**

184. SHRI MURLIDHAR CHANDRAKANT BHANDARE:

SHRI SURENDRA SINGH THAKUR;

Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have spelt out the broad feature of the 8th Five Year Plan with regard to public investments in various sectors and objectives to be achieved thereby;

(b) what are the revised basic priorities laid down for the 8th five year plan; and

(c) in what manner Government propose to mobilise resources to achieve these priorities?

THE PRIME MINISTER (SHRI VISHWANATH PRATAP SINGH): (a) to (c) The broad features, the priorities and the manner of resource