Madurai and Maniachi in Tamil Nadu have been sanctioned by Government;

- (b) if so, what are the reasons for which work has not started yet; and
- (c) by when Government propose to commence the work?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI MAHABIR PRASAD). (a) Yes. Sir.

- (b) Constraint of recources.
- (c) Commencement of work on conversion of this section will be considered after the work on parallel BG line between Dindigul and Madurai is nearly completed.

Master Plan to avoid road accidents

2587. SHRI M. VINCENT: Will the Minister of SURFACE TRANSPORT be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Government have any Master Plan to avoid road accidents; and
- (b) what is the number of new roads constructed and those which have been widened during the last three years, to facilitate the ever increasing traffic?

MINISTER OF THE STATE OF THE MINISTRY ofSURFACE TRANSPORT (SHRI EAJESH PI-LOT): (a) National Road Safety Council in its meeting held in July, 1987 have recommended the setting up State Level Road Safety Councils, truck parking complexes along national highways, formulation of road safety schemes, identifying the specific problems, increase publicity through various medias to highlight the traffic regulations, and inclusion of suitable chapter on road safety in text books for the children, as important measures for implementation to avoid road accidents.

(b) During the last three years, so far as National Highways which come under Central Govt are concerned missing links measuring four kms. on National Highways and another 12 bye-passes have been completed. In

addition, widening of National Highways from single lane to two lanes in a length of 1026 Kms. and from two lanes to four lanes in 68 kms. have been completed.

Proposal to treat sale proceeds of old Boeings as revenue

2588. SHRI KAMAL MORABKA: Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIA-TION AND TOURISM be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it is a fact that Air-India has proposed to Government to treat the sale proceeds of old Boeings amounting to about Rs. 55 crores as revenue;
- (b) whether Government have agreed to the said proposal; and
- (c) whether this is likely to give a distorted picture of the actual operational results?

THE MINISTER OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI MOTILLAL VORA): (a) No, Sir.

(b) and (c) Do not arise.

Construction of road along east coast 2589. DR. YELAMANCHILI SIVA JI: Will the Minister of SURFACE TRANSPORT be pleased to state:

- (a) whether there is any proposal to construct coastal road between Trichapuram to Tada along east coast, as an alternate route to ease load of existing National Highways; and
- (b) if so, what are the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF SURFACE TRANSPORT (SHRI RAJESH FILOT): (a) and (b) Union Government has no proposal to construct the coastal road between Trichapuram to Tada.

Shortage of forensic science experts in the country

2590. SHRIMATI BIJOYA CHAK-VARTY: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that from