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11	West Bengal		1 Bankura	
			2 Midnapur	
			3 Birbhum	
			4 Burdwan	
· •			5 Jalpaiguri	
			6 West Dinajpur	
12	Lakshadweep	*-	1 Lakshadweep	
13	Pondicherry	•	1 Yanam	
			2 Karikal	
			3 Pondicherry	
		Total Districts:	71	

## Air-India flights to Mexico

187. SHRI R. SAMBASIVA RAO: Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it is a fact that Air India proposes to operate its flights to Mexico;
- (b) whether any delegation has recently visited Mexico in this connection; and
- (c) if so, what is the outcome of the talks held with the Mexican Officials in the matter?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF CIVIL AVIATION (SHRI JAGDISH TYTLER): (a) There is no such proposal for the present.

- (b) No Civil Aviation delegation recently visited Mexico in connection with Air India flights.
  - (c) Question does not arise.

## Development of Visakhapatnam Port

188, SHRI B. SATYANARAYAN REDDY: Will the Minister for SUR-FACE TRANSPORT be pleased to state:

- (a) whether there is any proposal under Government's consideration to develop the Visakhapatnam Port for the purpose of export of iron ore;
- (b) if so, what are the details thereof; and
- (c) what expenditure is likely to be incurred in the expansion of the port?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF SURFACE TRANS-PORT (SHRI RAJESH PILOT): (a) to (c) Facilities for the export of iron ore from Visakhapatnam Port are already in existence. A provision of Rs. 9.59 crores for modernisation of iron ore loading facilities and provision of Rs. 8 crores for deepening of the iron ore berth in order to receive iron ore carriers of upto 1.70 lakhs DWT have been included in the VIIth Plan.

## Kakinada Port

189. SHRI B. SATYANARAYAN REDDY: Will the Minister of SUR-FACE TRANSPORT be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is any proposal under Government's consideration to upgrade Kakinada part as a major port