

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI YOGENDRA MAKWANA): (a) Government have no such proposal under consideration.

(b) Does not arise.

Sixth Five Year Plan

*48. SHRI J. K. JAIN: Will the Minister of PLANNING be pleased to state:

(a) what is the progress made towards the preparation of the draft of the Sixth Five-Year Plan;

(b) when the Sixth Five Year Plan is likely to be finalised;

(c) whether the Planning Commission has contemplated any broad frame-work and directions for the Sixth Five Year Plan; and

(d) if so, the details, thereof?

THE MINISTER OF PLANNING AND LABOUR (SHRI NARAYAN DATT TIWARI): (a) The Planning Commission is now-a-days actively engaged in the preparation of the draft of the Sixth Five Year Plan.

(b) The work on the draft is expected to be completed by the end of December, 1980, or the first fortnight of January, 1981.

(c) and (d) The National Development Council considered the Framework of the Sixth Five Year Plan 1980—85 on August 30-31, 1980 and directed the Planning Commission to proceed with the preparation of the final draft of the Sixth Five Year Plan on the basis of the objectives, the programme thrusts and the targets for growth and additional resource mobilisation as outlined in the Framework. A copy of the Framework was laid on the Table of the House on 17-10-80.

Transfer of Assamese Officers on foreign national issue

*49 DR. M. M. S. SIDDHU:

SHRI BISWA GOSWAMI:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that a number of Assamese Officers have been

transferred from the key administrative posts in the wake of the mass movement on the Foreign Nationals issue in Assam; and

(b) if so, the number of officers transferred and the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI YOGENDRA MAKWANA): (a) and (b) No, Sir. Transfer of Officers have, however, taken place on administrative grounds.

Procurement of transport planes for the IAF

*50. SHRI SWAMI DINESH CHANDRA:

SHRI ASHWANI KUMAR:

Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is a proposal under Government's consideration for the procurement of transport planes for the I.A.F. for replacement and substitution of the old fleet of AN-12 and others;

(b) if so, the number of old planes sought to be substituted and the number of aircraft proposed to be procured; and

(c) whether Government is having second thought for the purchase of Soviet built transport planes AN-32 besides Canadian "Buffalo", Italian "G-222", if so, what decision has been taken in this regard?

THE PRIME MINISTER (SHRIMATI INDIRA GANDHI): (a) It has been decided to induct AN-32 as a Medium Transport Aircraft into the Indian Air Force to replace the old fleet of Packet and Dakota aircraft.

(b) It will not be in the public interest to disclose this information.

(c) No, Sir.