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of rooms on the 6th and 7th floors and the lobby including the front office have been completed.

Supervision at various levels and in different areas of operation has been strengthened. Training schemes for the various operational staff have been undertaken.

Proposals for motivating the members of the staff are in hand. Various welfare measures like modern toilets on the staff colony, amusement park for children, better roads etc. have been undertaken.

## 2. Janpath Group of Hotels:

55 more rooms have been airconditioned in Lodhi Hotel and work on airconditioning of 60 more rooms is in progress.

In Hotel Ranjit also work for airconditioning the Lounge, dining hall and 50 guest rooms is under way.

## 3. Laxmi Vilas Palace Hotei:

A provision of Rs. 50 lakhs has been included in the Fourth Five Year Plan for renovation of this hotel and so far an expenditure of Rs. 1,04,000 has been incurred.

PUBLICATION OF INDO-RUSSIAN TEXT BOOKS

456. SHRI S. D. MISRA:
SHRI B. K. KAUL:
SHRI NAWAL KISHORE:
SHRI MAHAVIR TYAGI:
CHAUDHARY A. MOHAMMAD:

SHRI M. V. BHADRAM:
Will the Minister of EDUCATION
AND YOUTH SERVICES be pleased
to state:

- (a) whether it is a fact that U.S.S.R. have not complied with the terms of the agreement for publication of Indo-Soviet Text Books;
- (b) whether it is also a fact that at a recent meeting of the officials of the two countries a complaint for the non-compliance of the terms of agreement was made by the Government of India;
- (c) the number of Russian and Indian books published yearwise after the agreement; and

(d) what action has been taken on India's request to the Soviet Union at the last year's meeting of the Board for language laboratory for excelerating the training for Indian translators?

THE MINISTER OF EDUCATION AND YOUTH SERVICES (PROF. V. K. R. V. RAO): (a) and (b) No, Sir.

- (c) Since the inception of the Joint Indo-Soviet Text Book Board in 1965, upto September 1969, 125 Soviet books have been published under the programme. Year-wise statistics are not available. Only Soviet books have been published under the programme.
- (d) The request is being considered by the U.S.S.R. Government.

LANDING OF JUMBO JETS AT INDIAN AIRPORTS

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Will the Minister of TOURISM AND CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

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- (a) the details of the decision taken by Government regarding the introduction of jumbo jets by Air India;
- (b) the number of airports in India which are being made fit for landing of jumbo jets and the estimated cost of making these airports jumbo-jet worthy; and
- (c) the time by when the Indian airports will be able to receive such planes flown by other airlines?

THE MINISTER OF TOURISM AND CIVIL AVIATION (DR. KARAN SINGH): (a) Air India propose to commence Boeing 747 operations on the United Kingdom and USA route in the second quarter of 1971.

(b) and (c) The international airports at Bombay, Delhi, Calcutta and Madras are even now in a position to receive jumbo-jets. Certain essential improvements are, however, being made and additional facilities provided so as to meet the requirements more