

2 statements indicating actions taken on both the questions referred to by the hon. Member are being sent to the Department of Parliamentary Affairs for being laid on the Table of the House.

REMODELLING OF WALTAIR RAILWAY STATION

*316. SHRI V. VENKATARAMANA: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government propose to remodel the Waltair railway station;

(b) if so, what is the estimated amount to be spent for this purpose;

(c) what are the amenities to be provided in the remodelled station; and

(d) when the work is going to be completed?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER OF RAILWAYS (SHRI SHAH NAWAZ KHAN): (a) There is no proposal at present.

(b) to (d). Do not arise.

RAIL-LEVEL PLATFORMS AT BOHANI AND KARAKBET RAILWAY STATIONS

*317. SHRI NIRANJAN SINGH: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have received any complaints from the people and local bodies about the raising of rail-level platforms at the Bohani and Karakbet railway stations on the Itarsi-Allahabad section; and

(b) if so, whether Government propose to raise these platforms during the current financial year?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER OF RAILWAYS (SHRI SHAH NAWAZ KHAN): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) No.

PURCHASE OF VISCOUNTS BY THE INDIAN AIRLINES CORPORATION FROM THE BURMA AIRWAYS

*318. SHRI S. PANIGRAHI: Will the Minister of TRANSPORT AND COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Indian Airlines Corporation have decided to purchase second-hand Viscounts from the Burma Airways; and

(b) if so, what are the reasons for the same?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER OF CIVIL AVIATION (SHRI AHMED MOHIUDDIN): (a) and (b). The Indian Airlines Corporation who have a fleet of 10 Viscounts at present are in need of additional Viscounts to increase the frequency of service on certain high traffic density routes. Recently, the Corporation explored the possibility of acquiring three second-hand Viscounts from the Union of Burma Airways, who have however informed the Corporation that they have abandoned the proposal for the sale of their Viscounts.

PACKAGE PLAN FOR INTENSIFIED FOOD PRODUCTION

TMOULANA M. FARUQI: \ 9-
SHRI S. C. DEB:

Will the Minister of FOOD AND AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether his Ministry has under consideration a package plan for intensified food production in selected areas in Uttar Pradesh, Punjab, Rajasthan, Andhra Pradesh, Madras, Madhya Pradesh, and Bihar;

(b) if so, what are the outlines of the plan; and

(c) whether it was discussed with the representatives of these States recently?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI M. V. KRISHNAPPA): (a) Yes.

(b) A statement showing the objectives and content of the project is laid on the Table of the Sabha.