

SHRI HUMAYUN KABIR: I would have to ask for notice for that question.

SHRI M. VALIULLA: May I know, ^Sir, whether it is not a fact that air-lining in Nepal took place at the specM request of the Government of Nepal:

SHRI HUMAYUN KABIR: A special request was made by the Government of Nepal to airlift rice from India to Nepal, but later on the Nepal Government gave up that request.

OPERATION OF JET AIRCRAFT IN INDIA

*149. SHRI M. VALIULLA: Will the Minister of TRANSPORT AND COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

(a) the names of the places in India where jet aircraft are likely to operate; and

(b) whether there is any proper and adequate runways at all those places?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF TRANSPORT AND COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI HUMAYUN KABIR): (a) According to present plans, the jet aircraft to be acquired by the Air-India International Corporation are likely to operate from Bombay.

(b) The runway at Santa Cruz will need to be developed for jet operations. The question of developing one or more alternative aerodromes is under consideration.

SHRI M. VALIULLA: Is it not a fact that at Palam also American jet aircraft will be coming and that here also the runway will have to be extended?

SHRI HUMAYUN KABIR: As I have said, a proposal for developing alternative aerodromes is under consideration. At present we have no information about any American jet planes *coming* to Palam.

SHRI M. VALIULLA: Have we not placed orders for American Boeing jet aircraft?

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SHRI HUMAYUN KABIR: I have already said, Sir, that our Boeing planes will operate from Bombay. That is the present plan.

*150. [The questioner (Shri D. A. Mirza) was absent. For answer, vide cate. 873-874 infra.]

RUNNING OF DIESEL TRAIN FROM HISSAR TO DELHI-SARAI ROHILLA

*151. SHRI JUGAL KISHORE: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that a diesel train is running between Hissar and Delhi-Sarai Rohilla on the Northern Railway;

(b) if so, whether Government have any proposal under consideration to extend this train up to Delhi Main Station; and

(c) if so, what steps are being taken by Government in this connection?

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

(b) No.

(c) Does not arise.

CONSTRUCTION OF BRIDGES ON RAILWAY CROSSINGS OF HISSAR RAILWAY STATION

*152. SHRI JUGAL KISHORE: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have any scheme under consideration to construct bridges on two railway crossings on both sides of Hissar Railway Station; and

(b) if so, what steps Government have so far taken in this connection?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER OF RAILWAYS (SHRI SHAH NAWAZ KHAN): (a) A proposal for constructing an overbridge in lieu of the existing level crossing on the Rewari side of the