

श्री कृष्णकान्त व्यास : क्या मैं यह भी जान सकता हूँ कि दुर्घटना स्थल पर इंजन की चाल कितनी थी ?

श्री लाल बहादुर : स्पीड का ठीक पता नहीं है, लेकिन जहां तक मालूम हुआ है स्पीड ज्यादा नहीं थी।

श्री कन्हैयालाल डी० बेद्य : क्या मंत्री महोदय बतलाने की कृपा करेंगे कि यह स्पेशल कहां से रवाना होकर कहां जा रही थी ? इस दुर्घटना से सम्बन्धित कोई और कारण है, क्या इस विषय में भी जांच की गई ?

श्री लाल बहादुर : कहां जा रही थी इसके बतलाने की जरूरत नहीं मालूम होती, कोई और दूसरा कारण इसके पीछे नहीं मालूम होता।

श्री कृष्णकान्त व्यास : क्या मृत व्यक्तियों के परिवार वालों को कोई मुआविजा दिया जायगा।

श्री लाल बहादुर : जी हां, इस पर गौर किया जा रहा है। लेकिन जिन को चोट लगी है या मरे हैं, वे ज्यादातर फौज के आदमी हैं। फौज के सिपाहियों को मुआविजा, डिफेंस डिपार्टमेंट से दिया जाता है। इस लिए अगर वहां से नहीं दिया जायगा, तब हम विचार करेंगे अगर वहां से दिया जायगा तो हम विचार करने की जरूरत नहीं होगी।

FEEDER SERVICES BETWEEN BOMBAY, INDORE AND GWALIOR

†*496. SHRI KRISHNAKANT VYAS: Will the Minister for COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the Indian Airlines Corporation have decided to operate a feeder service between Bombay, Indore and Gwalior; and

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(b) if so, when the operation of this service will commence?

श्री राज बहादुर : (अ) और (ब)।

जी हां, कारपोरेशन का विचार है कि जनवरी १९५५ में देहली-आगरा-ग्वालियर-भोपाल-इंदौर-औरंगाबाद-बम्बई के रास्ते पर दैनिक हवाई सेवा चालू की जाय।

SHRI T. S. PATTABIRAMAN: (Put the question in Tamil and then translated it into English). I could not understand the answer. My question was whether similar services will be operated between Madura and Trichinopoly and Salem and Madras.

SHRI RAJ BAHADUR: We have three proposals on hand. One is Delhi-Agra - Gwalior - Bhopal - Indore-Aurangabad-Bombay, which should have been known to the hon. Member. The second is in regard to Madras-Trichinopoly, Madura, Trivandrum-Cochin-Coimbatore-Bangalore-Madras and the third is Delhi-Bikaner-Jodhpur-Ahmedabad-Rajkot.

DR. RAGHUBIR SINH: What planes are going to be run on these?

SHRI RAJ BAHADUR: To begin with the proposal is to put dakotas on these three lines and later on when we get Herons, we might utilize some of them.

DR. D. H. VARIAVA: Will he let me know whether there is any scheme to connect Rajkot with Jamnagar which is not being connected by plane services?

बम्बई, इन्दौर और ग्वालियर के बीच में फीडर सर्विस

*४९६. श्री कृष्णकान्त व्यास : क्या संचार मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या यह सच है कि इन्डियन एयर लाइन्स कारपोरेशन ने बम्बई, इन्दौर और ग्वालियर के बीच फीडर सर्विस प्रारम्भ करना स्वीकार कर लिया है; और

(ख) यदि यह सच है, तो यह सर्विस कब से प्रारम्भ की जायेगी ?

SHRI RAJ BAHADUR: Rajkot is connected to Bhavnagar but not Jamnagar.

SHRI LAVJI LAKHAMSHI: Is there any proposal to extend this line from Rajkot to Bhuj?

SHRI RAJ BAHADUR: There is already an air service which connects Bhuj.

SHRI GOPIKRISHNA VIJAIVAR-GIYA: Are the Dakotas twenty-one seaters?

SHRI RAJ BAHADUR: They are twenty-one or twenty-two seaters.

*497. [Withdrawn.]

*498. [For answer vide cols. 3122 3124 infra.]

*499. [For answer vide cols. 3124-3127 infra.]

*500. [For answer vide cols. 3127-3128 infra.]

REPRESENTATION FOR TAKING OVER OF B. P. RAILWAY

*501. SHRI B. C. GHOSE: Will the Minister for RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have received any representations requesting them to take over the B. P. Railway in the district of Hooghly in West Bengal;

(b) if so, what action Government have taken or propose to take in the matter;

(c) whether the B. P. Railway has recently been inspected by the Railway authorities; and

(d) if the answer to part (c) above be in the affirmative, the nature of the report submitted after such inspection?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER FOR RAILWAYS AND TRANSPORT (SHRI O. V. ALAGESAN): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) Government are of the view that the proposal for the acquisition

of the Railway by Government is not justified.

(c) and (d). The Railway was inspected by the Government Inspector of Railways in March 1954. His report shows that even though no works are required to be carried out in the interest of public safety, the overall condition of the Railway is far from satisfactory owing to lack of funds.

SHRI B. C. GHOSE: Is the Government considering any proposal to offer any financial assistance to this Railway?

SHRI O. V. ALAGESAN: A committee presided over by the Chief Minister of West Bengal went into this question and on their recommendation a loan of Rs. 1.5 lakhs was advanced to the West Bengal Government.

SHRI B. C. GHOSE: When was it? Was it some time ago?

SHRI O. V. ALAGESAN: Yes.

SHRI B. C. GHOSE: Is there any other proposal to advance any other money to this Railway?

SHRI O. V. ALAGESAN: None, Sir.

SHRI B. C. GHOSE: But I saw the hon. Railway Minister also standing.

SHRI LAL BAHADUR: One of the representatives of this Committee met me a few days ago and he has made a representation for giving the company further financial assistance. I have told him that we will consider that. But we are at present awaiting the report of the General Manager.

SHRI B. C. GHOSE: Has the hon. Minister received any representation from the affected interests in the locality to the effect that no financial assistance should be given to this company as the management has not proved satisfactory and therefore, other alternative proposals should be considered?