

Operations in domestic sector have been deregulated and flights are being operated by concerned airlines on the basis of commercial viability subject to adherence to Route Dispersal Guidelines. Government has laid down Route Dispersal Guidelines with a view to achieve better regulation of air transport services taking into account the need for air transport services of different regions of the country including North-East region. It is, however, up to the airlines to provide air services to specific places depending upon the traffic demand and commercial viability while complying with the Route Dispersal Guidelines.

Airports Authority of India (AAI) has plans to develop Guwahati as a inter-regional hub and Dibrugarh, Imphal and Agartala as intra-regional hub. In this connection, AAI has already planed to construct three Aircraft Maintenance Hangars at Guwahati and one each at Dibrugarh, Imphal and Agartala in order to facilitate early morning and late night air connectivity to and from the region.

#### **Upgradation of NH 17 in Goa**

\*75. SHRI SHANTARAM NAIK: Will the Minister of ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the expansion and upgradation of NH-17 in Goa has been shelved;

(b) the exact status of the project including land acquisition, objections to some stretches of the projects etc;

(c) whether the State Government has made any proposal to construct a second bridge on river Zuari at their expense; and

(d) whether the Central Government is inclined to give permission for the same when National Highways come under its jurisdiction?

THE MINISTER OF ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS (SHRI C.P. JOSHI):

(a) and (b) The National Highway authority of India has withdrawn the letter issued to concessionaire due to delay in land acquisition, clearances of Environment and Forest, issued related to collection of toll etc. by Government of Goa

(c) No, Sir.

(d) Question does not arise.

#### **Development of cow urine as medicine**

\*76. SHRI PARSHOTTAM KHODABHAI RUPALA: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state: