



AIR-INDIA ASSISTS BOMBAY UNIVERSITY

AIR-INDIA and the University of Bombay's Garware Institute of Career Education and Development have for the first time commenced joint participation in the Institute's current diploma programme on customs clearance and freight forwarding.

Keeping in view the inter-relationship between the air cargo carriers and freight forwarders, this association with Air-India and University of Bombay's Garware Institute will pave the way for better co-ordination between those immediately connected with the cargo trade.

Air-India's Staff College, based in the Santa Cruz complex, enjoys the status of being among one of the top training institution in the international airline industry.

AI TEAM

The Air-India team, headed by Mr S. V. Iyer and Mr P. Balasubramanian, will cover a wide spectrum of air cargo subjects. The performance of the participants, who are from advance management levels of the air cargo industry, will be evaluated throughout the programme and the diplomas are awarded after tests based on the University of Bombay's standards.

MERIDIAN AWARD FOR MR TYTLER



Mr Jagdish Tytler

THE Union Minister for Civil Aviation Mr Jagdish Tytler was presented the prestigious International Meridian Gold Award for his "significant contribution to India's civil aviation".

In his congratulatory message to the Minister, MD Capt D. Bose said, "This is a fitting recognition of the great interest you have shown in every aspect of civil aviation and all of us are proud of your achievements."

The International Meridian award carries a gold medal, citation and the robe of honour. These awards are instituted by International Meridian, a Delhi-based English fortnightly news magazine.

TALK YOUR WAY TO USA

A novel contest titled "Talk your way to USA" was recently organised by Air-India and co-sponsored by the Hindu, a leading national daily, at Madras in Southern India.

The Tamil Nadu Chief Minister Mr M.G. Ramachandran handed over the prizes and certificates and

the announcement of the prize winners was made by the Tamil Nadu Education Minister Mr C. Ponnaiyan.

Mr P. Radhakrishnan won the first prize of a free Air-India ticket to the USA, not only for himself but also for one of his parents and his Principal. Ms. S. Hemamalini

bagged the second place and with it a free Air-India ticket for herself and her principal. The third prize went to Ms. R. Chithra. The three other finalists were Mr Vinod George Joseph, Ms K.S. Vidya and Ms S. Nirmala. The judges were Dr Malcolm S. Adiseshiah, former Vice-Chancellor of Madras Uni-

versity; Ms Nancy Dean Stempel, journalist and wife of the U. S. Consul General in Madras; Mr K. Ravindran, Director-General of Police; Ms Akhila Sivaraman, Director of Doordarshan, Madras; and Dr L.S. Srinath, Director, IIT. Mr B. Satyanarayana Rao, Manager S.I. welcomed the guests and Mr P.J. Rodricks, Dy Manager proposed a vote of thanks.

CHAIRMAN VISITS BANGALORE OFFICE



The Chairman, Mr Ratan Tata, recently visited our Bangalore office where he received a warm welcome from the Air-India fraternity. The photograph shows the Chairman with the Air-Indians in our Bangalore office.

While the final was only a two-hour affair, the participants had gone through over two months of hectic preliminaries at the district level which started on Teachers' Day and reached a climax during the finals on Childrens' Day. The topic given at the final was 'Travel is Education'

Mr Ponnaiyan complimented Air-India on this great project and made a special reference to the transport arrangements made by Air-India for the Chief Minister when he was flown to America for medical treatment. (Mr D.N. Lingam was Mgr S.I. at that time) The Education Secretary Mr T.D. Sundararaj and the Director of School Education Mr K. Gopalan called upon other organisations to follow the example of Air-India and thereby provide unique opportunity to students in the rural areas to travel abroad.

ON THE MOVE UP...

The following staff have been promoted:

CIVIL WORKS & PROPERTIES

Mr S.G. Pendse as Dy Controller of Civil Works & Properties.

COMMERCIAL:

Mr Ravi Mani as Commercial Manager; Mr S. S. Adyanthaya, Mr G. Creado, Mr K. K. Sharma, Mr G. T. Shiydasani, Mr M. B. Lokur, Mr S. Talwar, Mr A. Parashar (New Delhi), Mr R. S. Hooda (New Delhi), Capt V. R. Nair and Mr F. J. Jussawalla as Station Managers; Ms N.F. Shroff, Mr B. E. Buchia, Ms K. A. Vora, Mr K. B. Mathur (New Delhi), Mr S. R. Sharma (Harare), Mr S. R. Irani and Mr T. P. Venkatnarayan (Riyadh) as Station Superintendents; Ms B. Fernandes as Secretary to CD, and Mr M. P. Mascarenhas as Commercial Manager (on deputation to Inflight Services as Dy Director).

COMPUTER & COMMUNICATIONS SERVICES:

Mr. Dipakkumar Das and Ms R. Varma (Delhi) as Asst Communications Managers and Mr Darshan Singh as Asst Manager-Communications Operations.

ENGINEERING:

Mr V. Lewis and Mr D. K. Raikar as Dy Engineering Managers; Mr V. P. B. Pillai as Asst Engineering Manager; Mr S. N. Shastri, Mr A. S. Ambre, Mr V. L. N. Satyanarayan, Mr M. R. Hegde, Mr V. Govindaswamy and Mr S. S. Samant as Asst Supdts and Mr P. D. J. De Souza as Dy Director of Engineering (Support).

OBITUARIES

We deeply regret to announce the sad demise of the following staff:

Mr K.N. Pathak, Sr Flight Despatcher, Operations Dept., New York. Years of service: 25

Mr R. Misquitta, Sr Office Assistant, Stores & Purchase Dept., Bombay. Years of service: 24

Mr P.S. Rokde, Peon, Operations Dept., Bombay. Years of service: 9

Mr V. Appukuttan, Chargehand, Electronics Overhaul Division, Engineering Dept., Bombay. Years of service: 16.

Mr C. Munuswamy, Head Loader, Commercial Department, Madras. Years of service: 18.

FINANCE & ACCOUNTS:

Mr A.T. Creado, Mr S. Ranganathan, Mr V. K. Sharma, Mr A. Watve and Mr S. Shenoy as Sr. Accounts Officers; Mr C. V. Gururajan as Accounts Officer and Mr H. B. R. Char and Mr D. T. Joshi as Accountants.

GROUND SERVICES:

Mr T. D. Babar, Mr A. A. Kore, Mr M. K. Date, Mr M. M. Gawarikar (Delhi), Mr K. S. Kohli, Mr Naresh Sobti, Mr P. C. Navalli, Mr A. S. Hardas, Mr A. Srinivasan (Delhi), Mr B. V. Balasubramanian, Mr K. Biswas, Mr V. D. Patil and Mr S. K. Deshmukh as Sr. Technical Officers and Mr Jagmohan Singh as Supdt.-Transport.

INFLIGHT SERVICE:

Mr T.R. Sonpar as Dy Manager; Mr S. V. Kelkar and Mr D. H. Boatwalla as Inflight Supervisors and Mr V. Ramanathan as Commercial Manager.

STORES & PURCHASE:

Mr P. D. Patankar, Mr G. Nagappan, Mr R. P. Raje, Mr S. B. Dalvi, Mr J. D. Nagda, Mr D. T. Bhoje and Mr A. Pacheco as Dy Stores Managers, Mr P. V. Sumant, Mr V. Ramamurthy, Mr D. B. Tanawade, Mr X. D'Sa, Ms V.A. Waingankar, Mr J.A. Varela, Mr A. D. Londhey and Mr K. V. Kundhadia as Asst Supdts. (Stores).

TRAINING (FO & FS):

Mr V. N. V. Subramaniam as Asst Supdt. (Simulator Maint.) and Mr P. V. Nallaswamy as Sr. Technical Officer.

VIGILANCE & SECURITY DIVISION:

Mr D. Mascarenhas, Mr A. T. Kamat, Mr J. P. Singh, Mr R. E. Shende and Mr Om Prakash R. Dube as Security Officers.

Mr R.C. Mehta, Accountant, Finance & Accounts Department, Bombay. Years of service: 29.

Mr N. Jogiah, Head Handyman, Commercial Dept., Madras. Years of service: 12.

Mr P.T. Lukose, Sr Loader, Commercial Dept., Madras. Years of service: 7.

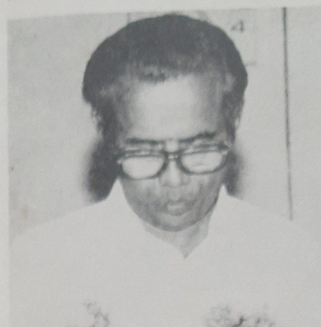
Mr A.A. Basha, Sr Loader, Commercial Dept., Madras. Years of service: 7.

Capt A.S. Walia, Co-Pilot, Operations Dept., Bombay. Years of service: 8

Mr S.S. Masale, Loader, Commercial Dept., NIPTC, Bombay. Years of service: 24.

Mr Krishnaprasad, Asst. Manager, Muscat. Years of service: 26.

FAREWELLS



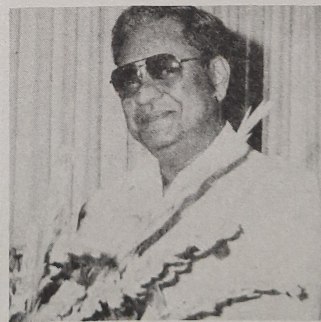
Mr K.L. Krishnan, Dy. Manager (Planning), Engg. Dept., Bombay.



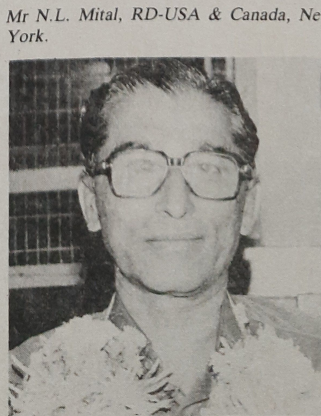
Mr G.A. Jathar, Stores Supervisor, Stores & Purchase Dept., Bombay.



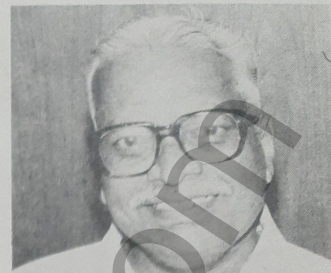
Mr S. Kumaran, Foreman, Engg. Dept., Bombay.



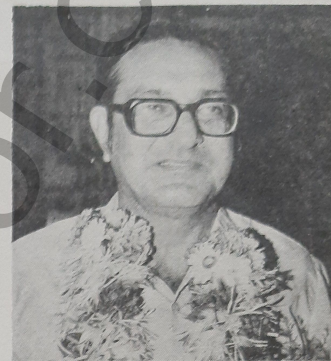
Mr R.G. Yadav, Head Cleaner, Engg. Dept., Bombay.



Mr J.N. Sonavati, Foreman, Engg. Dept., Bombay.



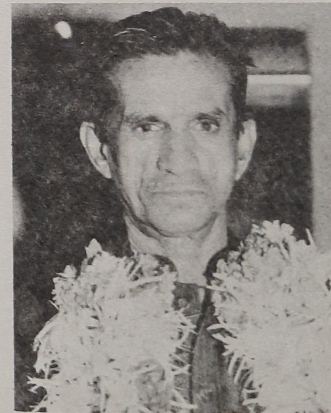
Mr D.R. Tawde, Asst Manager-Charters & Rescheduling, Commercial Dept., Bombay.



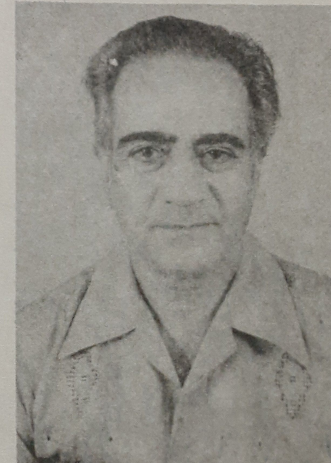
Mr K.H. Bnarucha, Foreman, Engg. Dept., Bombay.



Mr N.B. Patil, Asst Manager-Space Control, Commercial Dept., Bombay.



Mr R.G. Yadav, Head Cleaner, Engg. Dept., Bombay.



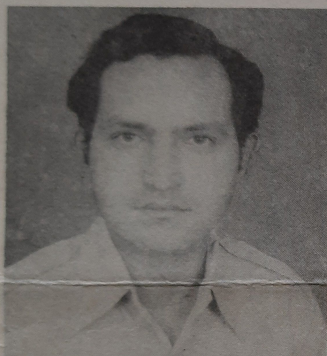
Mr S.P. Puri, Dy Engg Manager, Engg. Dept., Bombay.

New Centaur at Juhu

The Hotel Corporation of India's new Centaur Hotel at Juhu Beach in Bombay, was recently inaugurated by Mr Jagdish Tytler, the Minister of State for Civil Aviation.

In his inaugural address, Mr Tytler said that the HCI and all those connected with the Hotel's construction have worked 'tirelessly' to ensure its completion. Capt D. Bose, Chairman of the HCI, added that the new hotel's location on the beach and its proximity to the Airport will enable it to attract a large number of tourists visiting Bombay.

WELL DONE!



Mr R.P. Srivastava, Sr. Traffic Assistant at Airport in Delhi found a wallet left behind by AI passenger Mr Rupinder Tewari. The wallet, contained £62 and US\$500.

Encomiums

The honesty displayed by Mr Srivastava in returning the wallet to our Manager at Delhi airport has won him encomiums from the Management.

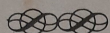


SPECIAL YOGA WORKSHOPS

Yoga teacher Yogacharya Hansraj Yadav was specially invited to Japan to hold special workshops on Yoga. He conducted courses at Tokyo Yoga Centre, Tokyo Yoga Academy, International Yoga Academy, International School and Mitsubishi.

Yogacharya's visit to Japan was arranged by Prof. K. Akasaka of the Department of Chemistry, Kyoto University.

AI'S ROLE



Air-India, Singapore, played a significant role in this year's Government-organised, biennial Singapore Arts Festival. The Airline brought two Indian artistes, Shrimati Indubala Ganapathy, a popular vocalist from Bombay, and Shri C.P. Venkatesan, a well known flautist from Madras. Their performances highly enriched the contribution of the Indian section at the Arts Festival.

Medical Clinic

Arrangements have been made for the doctors, in addition to the para-medical personnel, to be in attendance round-the-clock at the Medical Clinic in the Medicon Bhavan near Sahar Airport at Bombay.



Himalayan Feat Rewarded

Air Hostess Nalini Hanumanth-rao won fame when she literally scaled Himalayan heights becoming the first woman in the world to set off on an 8000 km trans Himalayan motor-cycle expedition.

Air-India gave Nalini a Yezdi motor-cycle for this gruelling feat which took her through rough unmetalled roads and 18 mountain passes in India and Bhutan. Those in India included the three highest roads in the world.

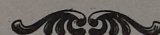
It is therefore befitting that Air-India presented to Nalini the Yezdi motor-cycle with which she undertook her labour of love. The presentation was made by Mr M.P. Mascarenhas, Dy Director-Inflight Service. Those present on the occasion were Ms C. Hai, Sr. Manager-Cabin Crew; Mr P. Sahu, Dy Manager-Cabin Crew; Ms A. Coelho Mohan, Chief Air Hostess; and Mr T. Pinto, Manager-Cabin Crew (Ops.).

CURRY FESTIVAL

The Vice President of the Philippines Salvador Laurel inaugurated the Indian Curry Festival organised by Air-India at Mamil's Hyatt Regency Bestro by lighting the traditional Indian lamp.

The photograph shows the Vice President with Joginder Khanna, ASM-Philippines; Perfecto F. Quicho, Hyatt's General Manager; the Ambassador of India Mr Krishnan Raghunath with his wife and Ms Sonia Rodriguez.

NOMINATION FORMS

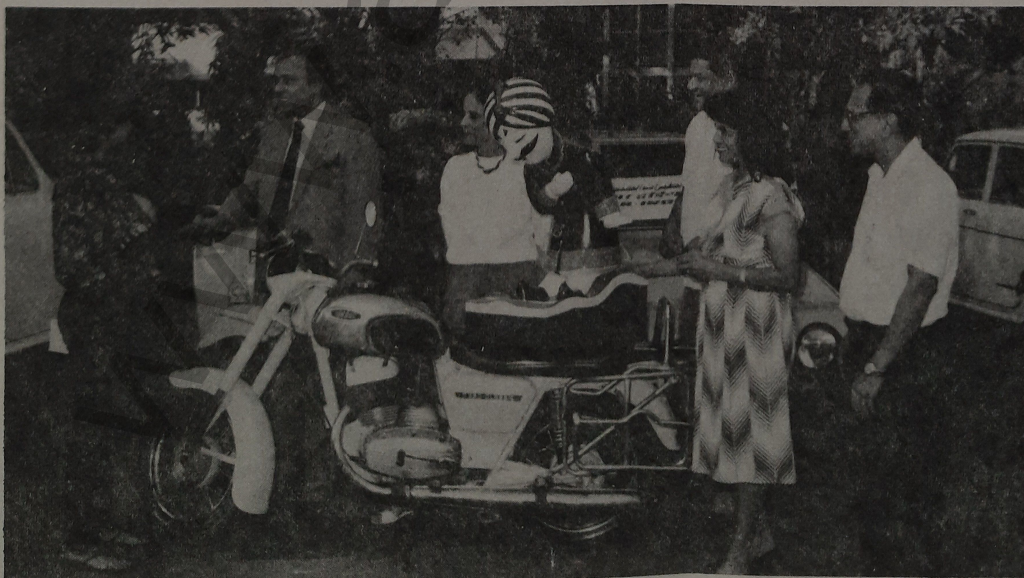


The Standing Medical Committee has requested the Magic Carpet to remind the staff to update the nomination forms for the Provident Fund and Insurance Scheme. Mr R.B. Chaure informs that this is being done to avoid any inconvenience to family members in the event of a demise of a member of the staff.

TRANSFERS

The following staff have been transferred:

Mr B.K. Mangaokar as RD, Delhi; N.A. Baptista as Asst. Reservations Manager, New York; Mr Ajit Singh as Dy CD Cargo, NTB; Mr Ashok Vaish as RM-UK, London; Mr V.L. Badami as Mktg. Manager-ME, Dubai; Mr C.J. Lakhani as Manager-Mail Promotion, NTB; Ms S. Batliwala as SS, RD-India, Bombay; Ms G. Rao as Sales Promotion Manager, New York and Mr G.O. Barnabas as DSM-N'dola.



SPORTS ROUND UP

A friendly cricket match was organised at Delhi between Air-India and the AI Colony Residents Association in which the Resident Director Mr B.K. Mangaokar and the Manager-Northern India Mr. R. Tewari played a prominent part.

The Colony Association won the match by 19 runs in a thrilling finish, and generated a keen interest among Air-Indians in Delhi. At the end of the match a function was held with tiny-tot Gitika Mathur presenting souvenirs to the participants, RD-Delhi and MNI.

DELHI was also the venue for an exhibition lawn-tennis match between Lufthansa and Air-India in which Air-India representatives from Bombay and Delhi took part. Mr R. Tewari was the Chief Guest at a function after the exhibition match and presented Lufthansa team with AI flags.

The match was widely covered by the Capital media with accolades for the winning Air-India team which made a clean sweep by a thumping victory, winning five matches in straight sets. The results (with AI names first): Ms Shivani b Ms Gisela 6-2, 7-5; Rajender b Peter 6-3, 6-3; Gajapathy b Eclgar 6-1, 6-4; Ethiraj b Zimmermann 6-0, 6-2; P. Kagal drew with Damasco; and Gajapathy and Rajender b Paul and Banther 6-1, 6-2.

WHILE Ashok Parashar from AI Delhi could not take part in this exhibition match, Ashok, an eager-beaver squash enthusiast, was the architect of the recent Hong Kong tour of the Squash Players Association of Delhi. Sponsored by Air-India, the team was the centre of attraction at the 25th anniversary celebrations of the Hong Kong Squash Rackets Association.

The occasion also marked the in-

auguration of the largest squash complex in Asia with 19 glass-backed squash courts and one with three glass walls. The AI-sponsored team at the celebrations included Mr Nadeem Haider, Mr Dushwant Singh, Mr Ashok Parashar, Col. Raj Manchanda, Capt Narjeet Singh, Mr Vinay Mehra and Mr Ravinder Malik.

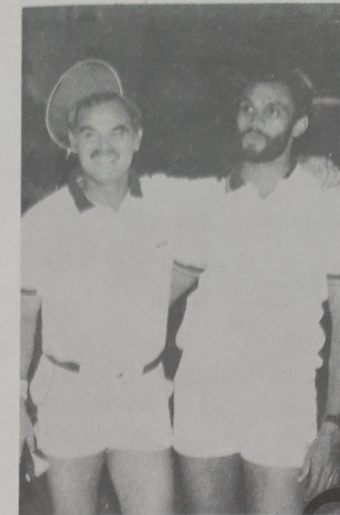
THE sports spotlight was also focussed on our Singapore office when Air-India became the first airline to be a major sponsor of A Quarter Marathon in the south-central electoral constituency of Radin Mas. The event marked the 21st Independence Anniversary of Singapore and was organised to raise S\$60,000 for the Constituency's Welfare Fund and R.C. Activities Fund.

More than 1,200 men and women of varying ages and all walks of life joined the 10-kilometre Marathon which was flagged off by Mr Chng Hee Kok the Member of Parliament for Radin Mas. Mr Chng presented a plaque to Mr K. Sabnis, our Manager-Singapore; and Ms Sabnis distributed the prizes to Marathon winners.

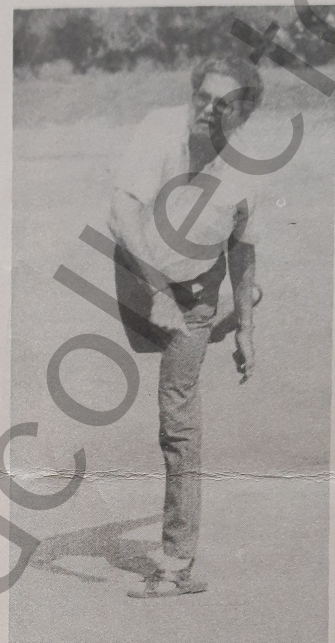
THE Air-India Cabin Crew Badminton Team took Nairobi by surprise when they recently played four-day fixtures at the Simba Club and Premier Club in Nairobi with three winning engagements against Kenya Badminton Association's one win in the series.

The K.B.A. won the first day matches at the Simba Club, but Air-India dominated the scene on the remaining three days at the Premier Club with the second day action being a part of the Kenyatta Day celebrations.

Writing to the Magic Carpet, Moni Mathews states that while the moving spirit during the series has



Owen Roncon and T.R. Rajan in Nairobi. Their consistent performance paved the way for Air-India's success. Members of the Air-India sponsored Squash Players Association of Delhi are seen here in Hong Kong in front of an Air-India banner (above).



While B.K. Mangaokar delivers a googly, Ranvir Tewari plays ball - a cricket match at Delhi between Air-India and the Air-India Colony Residents Association.

been team leader and Inflight Supervisor Owen Roncon, Vispy Modi, a ranked player in the international airlines badminton, was the source of strength in the singles matches. T. R. Rajan, Vijay Arora, Ms Jyoti Rayan and Moni Mathews also gave good performances.

In an interview to the Nairobi Nation, Mr Roncon said, "This visit is not formal. We have just decided to play here on our stop-over from our routine flight

duties." He added, "None of the six-member team belonged to the national side that has enabled the sub-continent nation to be ranked among the top ten badminton playing countries."

ALSO in the limelight is Mr V.S. Padmanabhan, who is our Asst Manager in Trivandrum. He won the coveted R.V. Raja Memorial Golf Tournament for 36 holes conducted by the Trivandrum Golf Club.

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Ms Sunita Sabnis presenting a prize to the winner of the veteran's section after the Marathon in Singapore (right) Mr Sabnis receiving a plaque from MP Mr Chng Hee Kok.

