



Seen in the cabin of 'Tista' are (from left) Capt J.R. Trilokekar, Dy MD Mr Kapur, MD Capt Bose, Dy MD Mr Sharma, DE Mr I. Charles and Capt Govindaraja.

## FIRST PHASE OF A310 ACQUISITION COMPLETE

With the arrival in Bombay of Air-India's second and third new Airbus VT-EJH 'Tista' and VT-EJI 'Saraswati' respectively in May 1986, the first phase of the A310-300 acquisition is now complete.

On hand to greet the 'Tista' at Bombay Airport were Managing Director Capt D. Bose, two Deputy Managing Directors Mr C.L. Sharma and Mr H.C. Kapoor and other senior Executives of the airline.

The aircraft left Toulouse on a bright and sunny spring evening on its delivery flight. The gleaming white-and-red Airbus was under the command of Capt V. Sachdeva who

was under check with Capt V.E. Gunzel of Airbus as the check Captain. The aircraft took the southern route via Milan, Nicosia, Dhahran, Bahrain and into Dubai as the dawn was breaking over the desert.

For the first leg of the delivery flight from Toulouse to Dubai which lasted for six hours and forty five minutes, the aircraft carried 42,300 kg. of fuel.

On the second leg of the journey from Dubai to Bombay, Capt J.R. Trilokekar, Operations Manager-Training was in command with Capt Govindaraja as First Officer. The aircraft flew from Dubai to Bombay

direct over the Arabian sea. The second leg lasted for two hours and fifty minutes and the fuel load was 24000 kgss.

### FAMOUS RIVERS

The third aircraft 'Saraswati' operated from Toulouse to Bombay via Kuwait as a commercial flight. The remaining three A310-300 will arrive by the end of December this year. Air-India has named its entire fleet of Airbus aircraft including A300-B4 after famous rivers of India. The three aircraft scheduled to arrive in December are named 'Beas', 'Gomati' and 'Sabarmati'.



Encore! Air-India's Airbus A310

Second A310  
arrives May 18



Three cheers for Air-India!

Third Airbus A310 arrives June 1





## ACHIEVERS

ZUBIN, S/o Mr. K.H. Bharucha of Engineering finished second in the Annual Maharashtra State Road Race (Bombay-Khopoli-Bombay). Zubin has represented Maharashtra at the National level when he took part in the All India Cycling Meet at Jamshedpur (Bihar) and in the recently held Maharashtra State Olympic Meet. He finished third in both the events.

SEEMA, D/o Mr N.P. Shinde, Sr Fire Officer, Headquarters, secured 1st class first in the Master of Science examination of the Bombay University with Life Science as her subject. She has represented Ruia College in the Basket Ball team and is a member of the Nature's Club, Bombay.

CHANDRASHEKAR, S/o Mr I.S. Kedare, CHQ and SHIRISH, S/o Mr C.V. Gadre, Asst Supdt-Training, have qualified for the Scholarship Award from the National Council of Educational Research and Training.

RADHA and SURESH, children of Mr M.K. Swamy from Hyderabad office, have received acknowledgements from the President of the USA and the Prime Minister of India respectively. Radha wrote to the President of the USA on his re-election and Suresh to the Prime Minister when he took charge of his office.

SURINDER PAL PROTHIA, Stenographer, Air-India, Amritsar, has been awarded a Certificate of Merit at the National Speed Typing Competition held by M/s Godrej & Boyce Mfg.Co.Pvt.Ltd. in association with the Bombay Shorthand Writers Association. Mr Prothia has not only achieved this distinction for the second consecutive year, but has also improved upon his earlier performance. This year his speed was 75 words per minute as against 72 words per minute last year.

G.P. BHOSLE, Stores & Purchase Department, Bombay, has been commended by the Ground Services Division for his honesty in handing over a money purse he found while travelling on duty in Crew Van.



Suresh Swamy



Shirish Gadre



Radha Swamy



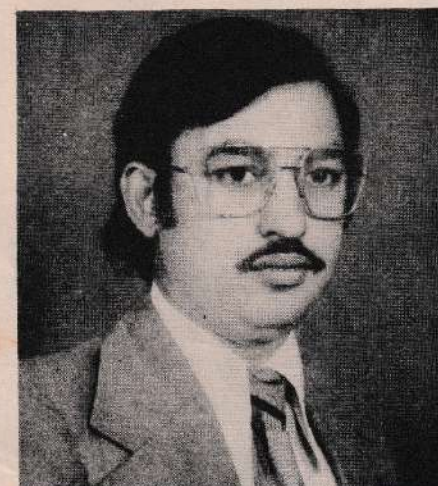
Chandrasekhar Kedare



Zubin Bharucha



Seema Shinde



Surrinder Pal Prothia



G.P. Bhosle



## FAREWELLS



Mr K.N. Kini, Asst Engg Manager, Engineering Department, Bombay.



Mr B.S. Raut, Asst Financial Controller, Revenue Accounts, Finance & Accounts Department, Bombay.



Mr S.S. Nerurkar, Accountant, Revenue Accounts, Finance & Accounts Department, Bombay.



Mr S.V. Sawant, Head Peon, Quality Control & Technical Services Division, Bombay.



Mr V.V. Dhodapkar, Sr Accounts Officer, Revenue Accounts, Finance & Accounts Department, Bombay.



Mr B.J. Dias Commercial Department, Bombay.



## On the move...up

The following staff have been promoted:-

### INFLIGHT SERVICE:

Mr. I.M. Bajaj, Mr. S.K. Chakravarty, Mr.A.K. Chakravarty, Mr.J.B. Coelho, Mr.G. D'Lamotte, Mr.A.P. Jain, Mr.C. Maciel, Mr V. Mada, Mr.K.N. Pradhan, Mr.S. Prakash, Mr.H. Rabadi and Mr.J.P. Sarkari as Inflight Supervisors.

### OPERATIONS:

Mr. N. S. Vasan as Manager-Navigation and Mr.N.N. Mithal as Manager-Flight Engg.

### TRAINING:

Mr. S.C. Lahiri and Mr. K.J. Karbhari as Sr.Simulator Instructors and Capt. R. Sahai as Manager-Training,Schedules & Coordination.

### TRANSFERS:

Mr. I.M. Mehra as Asst.-cum-Apt. Manager, Osaka; Mr.J. Raja as SS, Bombay Airport (Cargo); Mr.P. Bhandari as DSM-UP Kanpur, Mr.S.S. Hussain as Instructor-Staff College, Santa Cruz; Mr.D.R. Bhalerao, Asst.Manager, Doha; Mr. E.G. Coelho, SM, Traffic Services, NTB; Mr.H.S. Uberoi, Manager-Abu Dhabi; Mr.K.M. Rao, Manager-Malaysia, Kuala Lumpur; Mr.M.H. Hegiste, SS, Bombay Airport (Cargo); Mr.C.S. Nagwekar, SM, Bombay Airport; Mr.G.C. Pinto, Vice Principal, Staff College, Santa Cruz; Mr.B.G. Natu, SS, Bombay Airport; Mr.W. D'Lima, Dy. CM-Resv., Bombay; and Mr.A.K. Sarwal as DSM-Jamshedpur.

## LAUDABLE GESTURE

**M**R B. T. PAKHARE, Driver, Transport Division, met with an accident on duty, and lost his right hand. He has been presented the amount of Rs. 6,221 by the Transport Department, Sthaniya Lokadhikar Samiti and Cabin Crew Association. (Photo left)



# SPORTS ROUND UP

## TENNIS TOURNAMENT

The Third All India Public Sector Tennis Tournament sponsored by Air-India was recently conducted at Cubbon Park Tennis Courts, Bangalore. This Tournament was organised by our Personnel Department, Madras, with the assistance of the Advisor, All India Public Sector Sports Association.

A record number of entries were received for the tournament. Central Public Sector Undertakings which participated in the tournament were Bharat Heavy Electricals Ltd., Bharat Electronics Ltd., Hindustan Aeronautics Ltd., Indian Telephone Industries Ltd., Oil & Natural Gas Commission, Central Mine Planning, Syndicate Bank, etc. Air-India fielded two teams in this major event.

The tournament was inaugurated by Mr. M. L. Chandrashekar, President, Karnataka State Lawn Tennis Association. Air-Vice Marshal D. S. Sabhikhi, AVSM, was the Chief guest on the final day.

The Rolling Trophy instituted by Air-India was won by the Syndicate Bank. Air-India team 'A' were runners-up. Mr. B. P. Baliga and Mr. R. J. Kanak, President and Vice-President respectively of Air-India Sports Control Board and Mr. B. R. Satyanarayana Rao also participated in the Tournament.

The tournament was a great success and our Madras Office has planned to organise the tournament in a "bigger way" next year.

## GRANTS FOR CHILDREN

**T**HE Sub-Committee specially constituted by Air-India Sports Control Board has recommended Sports Grants in favour of the following children of employees:

### CRICKET : RS. 250/ EACH

Raghunathan, S/o Mr B.N. Raturi, G.S.D. Delhi; Vishram. S/o

Mrs S.R. Mulik, Revenue Accounts, Santa Cruz; and Sohanlal, S/o Mr Banshi Lal, Commercial, Calcutta.

### FOOTBALL : RS. 200/-

Jayantha, S/o Mr G.T. Kunder, Commercial/Booking, Bombay.

### HOCKEY : RS. 250/- EACH

Sunil, S/o Mr G.A. D'Souza, Commercial, Bombay; and Mark, S/o Mr T.N.J. Patterson, Commercial/Traffic, Bombay.

### BASKET BALL : RS. 200/- EACH

Karri Sitaram, S/o Mr K. Suryanarayana, Engineering, Santa Cruz; and Kawita, D/o Mr K.G. Kutty, Personnel/Welfare, Santa Cruz.

### ATHLETICS : RS. 200/-

Santosh, S/o Mr V.G. Rane, Security, Bombay.

### SWIMMING : RS. 200/-

P.C. Rao, S/o Mr P.N. Rao, Operations, Santa Cruz.

### CYCLING : RS. 200/-

Zubin, S/o Mr K.H. Bharucha, Engineering, Santa Cruz.



## OBITUARY

We deeply regret to announce the sad demise of Mr Shirish M. Bahulekar, Typist/Clerk, Civil Works & Properties Department, Bombay. Years of service : 7.

## ARMED FORCES FLAG DAY



Senior Security Assistant, Mr M.N. Murthy, is seen here receiving an award from Mr Kona Prabhakar Rao, the then Governor of Maharashtra.

The award was presented to Mr Murthy for his contribution in the fund raising drive by the Airlines Ex-Servicemen Welfare Association. Mr Murthy is the ex-General Secretary of AESWA.

Seen in the photograph with him is Mr A.P. Sinha, Collector of Bombay who was the President of Armed Forces Flag Day Committee.



Mr M.L. George is seen here with the participants who attended the Communications Seminar.

## TRAINING IN COMMUNICATIONS

The vital role of communications was the theme of a training programme recently held at Bangkok. The training sessions were conducted by Mr M.L. George, Asst Manager (Training), Communications.

Twenty eight participants from Air-India, Thai International (Handling Agents), and S.S. Travel Services, (General Sales Agent) attended the programme. The participants attended the two-day seminar in three different batches.