

project will be undertaken subject to feasibility report and availability of funds.

### Expansion of Hotel Kalinga Ashok at Bhubaneswar

4447. SHRI LAKSHMAN MALLICK : Will the Minister of TOURISM AND CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state :

(a) whether Government have a proposal for the expansion of some ITDC hotels of the country ;

(b) if so, the names of the ITDC hotels proposed to be expanded during the Sixth Plan period ;

(c) the names of the States where those ITDC hotels are located ;

(d) whether any such ITDC hotel's expansion programme is proposed to be undertaken in Orissa ;

(e) if so, whether Hotel Kalinga Ashok an ITDC hotel constructed at Bhubaneswar is proposed to be expanded during the above period ; and

(f) the efforts made by Government in this regard ?

THE MINISTER OF TOURISM AND CIVIL AVIATION (SHRI A.P. SHARMA): (a) to (c). The Sixth Plan of the India Tourism Development Corporation provides for the expansion of its hotels/beach resorts at Khajuraho (Madhya Pradesh) ; Mahabalipuram (Tamil Nadu) ; Hassan (Karnataka) ; Bhubaneswar (Orissa) and Udaipur (Rajasthan).

(d) to (f). Yes, Sir. In June, 1982 Government has approved ITDC's proposal to expand its Hotel Kalinga Ashok, Bhubaneswar by adding 35 rooms at an estimated cost of Rs. 102 lakhs.

### Schemes of Reserve Bank of India for Welfare of Scheduled Castes

4448. SHRI LAKSHMAN MALLICK : Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state :

(a) whether his Ministry has directed the Reserve Bank of India to introduce some schemes for the welfare of Scheduled Castes ;

(b) if so, whether any such Scheduled Castes welfare scheme is under implementation in Orissa with the help of any commercial bank functioning in that State ; and

(c) the details about the credit facilities provided to Scheduled Caste beneficiaries by those commercial banks in Orissa so far ?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI JANARDHANA POOJARY) (a) to (c). The information is being collected and to the extent available will be laid on the Table of the House.

### Dynamite Sticks taken from Security System at Palam Airport

4449. SHRI MOHAMMAD ASRAR AHMAD SHRI BASUDEB ACHARYA :

Will the Minister of TOURISM AND CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that the security system at Palam Airport in Delhi has no device to detect explosives, like dynamite sticks and passengers can easily smuggle them into the aircraft ; and

(b) if so, whether any serious attention is being paid to this matter and any methods are being devised

to detect such explosives when any passengers try to carry such explosives with them or along with their baggage?

THE MINISTER OF TOURISM AND CIVIL AVIATION (SHRI A.P. SHARMA): (a) No. Sir A thorough search of the hand-baggage and frisking of the passenger according to the procedure prescribed for pre-embarkation screening is made in order to detect arms/ammunitions/explosives.

(b) Does not arise.

### Indian Investment in China

4450. SHRI B. V. DESAI: Will the Minister of COMMERCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that representatives of several leading Indian firms and Government agencies visited China for discussions in regard to the Indian investment in China;

(b) if so, whether during the Chinese Delegation's visit to India in the month of May, 1982 such type of decision was taken by both the delegates of China and India;

(c) whether it is also a fact that as many as 130 projects have been identified in China by UNIDO where it is felt that investment from developing and developed world can take place in the joint sector;

(d) if so, what was the outcome of the visit and whether any final decision in this regard has been reached;

(e) the total investment likely to be made in this regard?

firms and Government visited China for participation in the China Investment Promotion Meeting in Canton from June, 7-11, 1982.

(b) During the visit of Chinese delegation to India in May, 1982, it was suggested that it would be useful for Indian businessmen interested in Investing in China to participate in the Canton meeting.

(c) Yes, Sir.

(d) As a result of this visit, information about Chinese investment policies and regulations became available.

(e) It is too early to assess the quantum of investment likely to be made in this regard.

### Fall in Consumption of Cotton due to Strike in Bombay Mills

4451. SHRI B. V. DESAI: Will the Minister of COMMERCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the consumption of cotton by textile mills has shown a considerable fall in recent months primarily because of the strike in Bombay mills;

(b) whether it is a fact that the consumption of cotton during February, March and April has averaged at 5.70 lakh bales each of 170 kg. a month;

(c) if so, what are the other main reasons for decline in cotton consumption; and

(d) what steps Government propose to take to meet the situation in this regard?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE (SHRI P. A. SANGMA): (a) Yes Sir. Representatives of some Indian

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE (SHRI P. A. SANGMA): (a) to (d). Consumption of cotton during the