

Bills prepared by this office is computerised. Since the computer system in Hindi is not developed/available it is impossible to prepare the same in Hindi".

The Government is requested to look into this aspect as to whether it is a fact that preparing Bills in Hindi is really "impossible". It is understood that in other countries Bills are prepared in various languages for instance Arabic, Russian, Chinese, Japanese, Dibu etc. If it is possible in those countries, it cannot be impossible in Hindi.

(v) Need to develop Patna Airport to international standard

SHRIMATI GIRIJA DEVI (Maharajganj): Mr. Speaker, Sir, in Bihar there are hundreds of tourist places of international importance but on account of inadequate arrangements they are gradually heading towards destruction. If Bihar had been connected with an international roadway like Amritsar it would have attracted scores of foreign tourists thereby earning a huge amount of foreign exchange. Bihar is the only State which has monasteries of 23 Buddhist countries. It has renowned places like Bodh Gaya, Vaishali, Pata and religious places of Buddhist, Jain and Sikh importance. In addition to this it has places of historical importance. North Bihar consists of temple of kamihara Patna, Gajagraha area of Sonapur, Vaishali, ancient Nalanda, Vikramshila university and sources of hot spring on Rajgir Munger etc. are various tourist places of international standard. However, owing to inadequate transport facilities, tourism cannot develop, with the result that the people of Bihar face economic and cultural loss. The country also suffers loss of foreign exchange. Only two cities of Bihar namely Patna and Ranchi are connected with air facility and these air-strips are not of international standard.

As such the Government is requested to develop Patna Airport to international standard with the assistance of World Bank keeping in view the aspect that Bihar is a State of tourist importance. At the same time it is requested that Muzaffarpur should also be connected with air service.

[English]

(vi) Need to provide more LPG connections to applicants in the State of West Bengal

SHRI JITENDRA NATH DAS (Jalpaiguri): Sir, I would like to draw the attention of the Government to the fact that there exists an acute crisis for LPG connections in all the districts of West Bengal. A large number of applications seeking LPG connections are pending since 1985 throughout the State. Now-a-days, the dealers are not booking for new LPG connections on the plea that they have reached their target. This is a very pitiable state.

To solve this problem, I urge upon the Central Government to increase the number of LPG dealers so that all the applicants throughout the State may be provided with LPG connections at an early date. They should also issue necessary instructions to the dealers to book new applications for LPG connections. I would also urge upon the Government to remove the gap between demand and supply of LPG in West Bengal. Thank you.

(vii) Need for Central Funds to Himachal Pradesh under Desert Development Programme to check growing desert area in Una district

[Translation]

PROF. PREM DHUMAL (Hamirpur): Mr. Speaker, Sir, under the Desert Devel-