

(1) Indian Airlines flight Delhi| Agra/Khajuraho should have additional halt at Gwalior.

(2) Air-conditioned bus may be provided at Gwalior to take tourists to Khajuraho via Shivpuri National Park and Jhansi.

मध्य प्रदेश के लिये पर्यटन विकास योजनायें

2936. श्री भागीरथ भंडार : क्या पर्यटन और नागर विमानन मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) सरकार के विचाराधीन मध्य प्रदेश के लिए पर्यटन विकास योजनाओं की मुख्य बातें क्या हैं ;

(ख) क्या पर्यटन महत्व के आदिवासी क्षेत्रों का भी विकास करने का विचार है ; और

(ग) यदि हां, तो तत्सम्बन्धी मुख्य रूप-रेखा क्या है ?

पर्यटन और नागर विमानन मंत्री (श्री पुष्पोत्तम कौशिक) : (क) फिलहाल केन्द्रीय संस्तर में पर्यटन केन्द्रों के विकास का निर्धारण अन्तर्राष्ट्रीय पर्यटकों के लिए उनकी वर्तमान अथवा सम्भावित लोकप्रियता के आधार पर किया जाता है । इसी लक्ष्य को ध्यान में रखते हुए अन्तर्राष्ट्रीय पर्यटकों के लिए मांडू, खजुराहो, सांची, इन्दौर, भोपाल तथा कान्हा राष्ट्रीय उद्यान में विश्राम गृहों, पर्यटक बंगलों, होटलों तथा पानी की सप्लाई आदि के रूप में सुविधाओं की व्यवस्था पहले ही की जा चुकी है ।

पांचवीं पंचवर्षीय याजना की शेष अवधि के दौरान खजुराहो में एक स्मिन्डर स्थल तथा कान्हा राष्ट्रीय उद्यान में एक फारेस्ट लाज के निर्माण का प्रस्ताव विचाराधीन है । इसके अतिरिक्त भारत पर्यटन विकास निगम ने जबलपुर तथा इन्दौर दोनों में एक-एक परिवहन यूनिट परिचालित करने के लिए व्यवहार्यता अध्ययन प्रारम्भ किया है ।

(ख) फिलहाल नहीं ।

(ग) प्रश्न नहीं उठता ।

Production of Cardamom, Coffee and Rubber

2937. SHRI VAYALAR RAVI:

SHRI K. KUNHAMBU:

Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND CIVIL SUPPLIES AND CO-OPERATION be pleased to state:

(a) the total production of cardamom, coffee (all varieties) and rubber during the last three years;

(b) the prices offered to the growers in the respective items; and

(c) the steps taken to encourage more production?

THE MINISTER OF COMMERCE AND CIVIL SUPPLIES AND CO-OPERATION (SHRI MOHAN DHARIA): (a) The production of coffee (both arabica and robusta), rubber and cardamom during the last three years (1974-75 to 1976-77) are given below:

(in tonnes)

Commodity	1974-75	1975-76	1976-77
COFFEE			
Arabica	62,700	49,700	64,013
Robusta	29,800	34,300	36,438
	<u>92,500</u>	<u>84,000</u>	<u>100,451</u>
RUBBER			
RUBBER	130,143	137,750	149,632
CARDAMOM	2,900	3,000	2,100
(b) The average prices realised by the growers of the three commodities are given below:—			
COFFEE (Rs. per 50 Kgs.)			
Plant A	432.80	660.00	480.00*
Arabica Cherry AB	434.96	640.03	420.00*
Robusta Cherry AB	358.79	700.59	372.00* only part payments so far effected.
RUBBER			
(Rs./quintal)	849.00	744.00	596.00
CARDAMOM			
(Rs./kg.)	76.24	86.45	158.46

(c) The Commodity Boards are implementing the following schemes to encourage more production of these commodities:—

Coffee: (1) *Loan for intensive cultivation:*—

Financial assistance of long-term nature is given to growers to adopt improved methods of cultivation and to increase the yield of coffee from their holdings.

(2) *Loans for working capital:*—

Loans are advanced to growers whose holdings do not exceed 100 acres in extent, and who find it difficult to get financial accommodation for working capital from traditional sources like banks etc.

(3) *Supply of Equipment and Machinery on Hire Purchase terms:*—

Items of equipment and machinery are made available to growers on hire purchase terms to help them improve production and quality of coffee.

(4) *Loans and subsidy for replanting:*—

Long-term loans to large growers and loan-cum-subsidy to small growers are advanced for replacement of their old and uneconomic coffee plants with high-yielding disease-resistant strains.

(5) *Special Purpose Loans:*—

Medium-term loans are provided to small growers for undertaking special development measures like sinking wells, construction of drying yards, soil conservation etc.

Rubber:

(1) Replanting Subsidy:—

For replantation of old uneconomic areas under rubber with high-yielding strains, a subsidy ranging between Rs. 7,500 per hectare and Rs. 3,000 per hectare is paid to the growers depending on the size of their holdings/estates.

(2) Supply of Fertilizers Mixture:—

An additional incentive is given to small growers who undertake planting/replanting under the Rubber Board's schemes by way of supply of fertilizer mixture.

(3) Supply of Planting materials free of cost or at concessional rates:—

Additional assistance is given to small growers under replanting subsidy scheme by way of supply of high yielding planting materials free of cost or at concessional rates.

(4) Loan Schemes:—

Loans are granted to small holders for expanding their holdings to economic units and for their maintenance during immaturity period.

(5) Loans to Co-operative Societies:

Financial and Technical Assistance is extended to Co-operative Societies for purchase and distribution of rubber rollers to their small holders' members.

(6) Subsidy on Smoke House:—

Subsidy is paid to small holders for construction of smoke-houses for improved processing of rubber.

(7) Spraying Subsidy:—

Subsidy is paid to small holders of rubber for spraying of their rubber areas.

Cardamom:

(1) Hire-Purchase Scheme:—

Sprinkler irrigation equipments are given on hire-purchase basis.

(2) Replanting Finance Scheme:—

Loans are granted to planters for rejuvenation of their old and uneconomic cardamom plantations.

(3) Katte Control Scheme:—

Katte disease affected cardamom plants are uprooted and destroyed and disease-free seedlings are supplied to cardamom growers in their place free of cost. Fertilisers and pesticides are also supplied as part of compensation for the loss sustained by the growers.

(4) Demonstration Plots:—

Demonstration Plots are established in private plantations to educate cardamom growers about the benefits of improved and scientific methods of cultivation.

(5) Departmental Nursery Scheme:—

Departmental nurseries have been started for supplying at cost price disease-free high-yielding cardamom seedlings to the growers.

(6) Soil Testing Unit:—

A soil testing laboratory has been established to collect soil samples from different parts of the cardamom growing tracts and test them for giving suitable fertiliser recommendation to the planters.

Export Development Plans from States

2938. SHRI K. PRADHANI: Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND CIVIL SUPPLIES AND COOPERATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether several state Governments have formulated export development plans for optimum exploitation of their export potential; and

(b) if so, the main features thereof?

THE MINISTER OF COMMERCE AND CIVIL SUPPLIES AND COOPERATION (SHRI MOHAN DHARIA): (a) and (b). The required