

**THE MINISTER OF TOURISM AND CIVIL AVIATION (SHRI PURUSHOTTAM KAUSHIK):** (a) Dharamsala, Kulu, Manali, Dalhousie and other places of tourist interest in Himachal Pradesh are usually visited by a large number of domestic tourists. However, ever since the opening of certain restricted areas for trekking, a large number of foreign tourists have also started visiting Himachal Pradesh.

(b) and (c). There is no proposal at present to construct an aerodrome in Kangra Valley. Some preliminary studies have been made about the feasibility of constructing an aerodrome at Simla, but due to paucity of funds, the project has been deferred.

**Return of Imported Edible Oil by Vanaspati Factories**

\*100. **SHRI M. RAM GOPAL REDDY:** Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND CIVIL SUPPLIES AND COOPERATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether certain vanaspati factories in the country have returned the imported edible oil supplied to them by a Government Agency as it was found to be of inferior standard;

(b) if so, the facts thereof;

(c) the loss sustained by Government in this regard; and

(d) the steps taken to dispose of the sub-standard edible oil?

**THE MINISTER OF COMMERCE AND CIVIL SUPPLIES AND COOPERATION (SHRI MOHAN DHARIA):** (a) No, Sir.

(b) and (c). Four vanaspati factories have claimed compensation from the STC, for moisture content in the imported palm oil supplied to them. The claims amount to about Rs. 1,54,550/-. The claims received are under examination by the STC.

(d) There is no sub-standard edible oil with STC for disposal.

**Revision of the Statutory Minimum Price of Natural Rubber**

769. **SHRI G. Y. KRISHNAN:** Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND CIVIL SUPPLIES AND COOPERATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether a delegation of the Indian Small Rubber Growers' Association of Kerala has submitted a memorandum demanding revision of the statutory minimum price of natural rubber; and

(b) if so, the reaction of Government thereon?

**THE MINISTER OF COMMERCE AND CIVIL SUPPLIES AND COOPERATION (SHRI MOHAN DHARIA):** (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The matter is under consideration.

**World Bank Aid to Development of Bombay High**

770. **SHRI K. MALLANNA:** Will the Minister of FINANCE AND REVENUE AND BANKING be pleased to state:

(a) whether he paid a visit to Washington recently to get financial aid from the World Bank;

(b) if so, whether India has requested the World Bank to give financial aid for development of Bombay High; and

(c) if so, the outcome thereof?

**THE MINISTER OF FINANCE AND REVENUE AND BANKING (SHRI H. M. PATEL):** (a) No, Sir. I visited Washington in the last week of April, 1977 to participate in the meetings of Group of 24 Ministers, the Joint Fund Bank Development Committee and the Interim Committee of Governors of the International Monetary Fund.

(b) and (c). Negotiations relating to 150 million loan from the World Bank for Phase III of the Bombay

High Project were completed on 2nd June 1977 in Washington. It is expected that the loan agreement will be signed shortly.

**Interest on Bank Loans to Educational Institutions**

771. SHRI R. K. MHALGI: Will the Minister of FINANCE AND REVENUE AND BANKING be pleased to state:

(a) whether in April, 1977 Government of India have received written representation from Maharashtra requesting them to charge interest on Bank loans to educational institutions at the rate of 4 per cent and not at the rate of Rs. 12½ per cent; and

(b) if so, what action Government have taken or propose to take on the said representations and when?

THE MINISTER OF FINANCE AND REVENUE AND BANKING (SHRI H. M. PATEL): (a) Government do not appear to have received any such representation.

(b) Does not arise.

**पर्यटन विकास सम्बन्धी केन्द्रीय योजनाओं के अन्तर्गत झालावाड़ जिले में किये जा रहे कार्य**

772. श्री चतुर्भुज : क्या पर्यटन और नागर विमानन मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि पर्यटन विकास सम्बन्धी केन्द्रीय योजनाओं के अन्तर्गत झालावाड़ जिले में क्या कार्य किये जा रहे हैं ?

पर्यटन और नागर विमानन मंत्री (श्री पुरुषोत्तम कौशिक) : साधनों की तंगी तथा अन्य प्राथमिकताओं के कारण झालावाड़ में केन्द्रीय क्षेत्र के अन्तर्गत कोई पर्यटन सम्बन्धी योजना प्रारम्भ नहीं की गई है।

**राजस्थान नहर और चम्बल कमांड क्षेत्र के लिए विश्व बैंक से ऋण**

773. श्री कृष्ण कुमार गोयल : क्या वित्त तथा राजस्व और बैंकिंग मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या राजस्थान नहर और चम्बल कमांड क्षेत्र परियोजना के लिये विश्व बैंक की ओर से आर्थिक सहायता दी गई है ; और

(ख) यदि हां, तो कितनी और जिन परियोजनाओं पर यह रकम खर्च की जाएगी उनका ब्यौरा क्या है और यह योजनाएं कब तक पूरी हो जायेंगी ?

वित्त तथा राजस्व और बैंकिंग मंत्री (श्री एच० एम० पटेल) : (क) जी, हां।

(ख) राजस्थान नहर और चम्बल सिंचाई क्षेत्र विकास परियोजनाओं के लिए विश्व बैंक ने 1590 लाख डालर की वित्तीय सहायता देने का वचन दिया है। इसमें से 830 लाख डालर राजस्थान नहर के लिए, 520 लाख डालर राजस्थान में आने वाले चम्बल सिंचाई क्षेत्र विकास के लिए और 240 लाख डालर मध्य प्रदेश के चम्बल सिंचाई क्षेत्र विकास के लिए रखे गये हैं। आशा है कि ये परियोजनाएं क्रमशः 30 जून, 1980 और 31 दिसम्बर, 1978 तक पूरी हो जाएंगी।

**Multinational Corporation**

774. SHRI D. B. CHANDRA GOWDA: Will the Minister of FINANCE AND REVENUE AND BANKING be pleased to state:

(a) the number of multinational corporations functioning at present in the country; and

(b) the amount remitted abroad by these units during the last three years