

[*Translation*]

**Development of Places of Pilgrimage**

1213. SHRI NIRMAL KHATRI : Will the Minister of TOURISM AND CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state :

(a) whether Government are taking measures to develop the places of pilgrimage; and

(b) if so, whether the Union Government are considering any proposal for the development of Ayodhya, a place of pilgrimage ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF TOURISM AND CIVIL AVIATION (SHRI ASHOK GEHLOT) :

(a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The State Government had in September, 1984 submitted a proposal for beautification of all park in Ayodhya at an estimated cost of Rs. 23.70 lakhs. Clarifications have been asked for, and further response from the State Government is awaited.

[*English*]

**US Technology to India**

1214. SHRI LAKSHMAN MALLICK : Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state :

(a) whether the United States have agreed to break the deadlock over the ticklish issue of transfer of high technology of India; and

(b) if so, the details of the report of the Indian team which visited America recently in this regard ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI KHURSHEED ALAM KHAN) :

(a) The Government of India and the United States concluded in November 1984 a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) on technology transfer to India. The MOU envisaged that the representatives of the two Governments would

meet to work out procedures for implementing its provisions.

(b) An Indian delegation visited the United States of America from 4th March to 8th March 1985 to discuss the implementing procedures. The members of the delegation were the following :

1. Shri Mani Shankar Aiyra, Joint Secretary, Prime Minister's Office; Leader of the delegation.
2. Shri A. Pande, Joint Secretary, Prime Minister's Office
3. Shri G.V.G. Krishnamurthy, Joint Secretary, Minister of Law
4. Shri K. Santhanam, Joint Secretary, Ministry of External Affairs
5. Shri N.W. Nerurkar, Joint Secretary, Department of Electronics
6. Dr. K.G. Narayanan, Scientist, Office of Scientific Advisor to Minister of Defence.
7. Shri L. Prasad, Joint Chief Controller of Imports and Exports, Ministry of Commerce.
8. Shri A.K. Chabra, Officer on special Duty to Chairman, Central Board of Excise and Customs, Ministry of Finance.
9. Dr. S. Jaishankar, Under Secretary Ministry of External Affairs.; Secretary to the delegation.

**Enquiry Regarding Overturning of a Tanker Transporting Ammonia Gas in Delhi**

1215. SHRI B.V. DESAI : Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state :

(a) whether a tanker transporting ammonia gas to an allegedly unauthorised plant in Alipur, Delhi overturned on 19 February, 1985 breaking its pressure guage valve which caused a strong leakage of gas;