[English]

Scheme for Development of Identified Primitive Tribes in Madhya Pradesh

265. SHRI DIGVIJAY SINH: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state :

(a) whether Government have any scheme for development of identified primitive tribes in Madhya Pradesh;

(b) if so, which schemes have been sanctioned for each primitive tribes in 1983-84, 1984-85 and 1985-86; and

(c) the budget allotment for the above years and how much has been spent in 1983-84 and 1984-85 ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI-MATI RAM DULARI SINHA): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) and (c). The schemes implemented included distribution of bullocks and milch cow, agriculture subsidy, diesel pumps, fertilizer, seeds, land development schemes, drinking water supply, health measures, improvement of communication and storage facilities for six identified groups i.e. Ambujamaria, Bharia, Baiga, Pahari Korwa Kamar and Saharia. During 1983-84 and 84-85 a sum of Rs. 107.54 lakhs was released each year as special Central Assistance. For the year 1985-86 a sum of Rs. 110-00 lakhs has been tantatively allocated for the programme. Details of expenditure are being ascertained from the State Government and will be laid on the table of the House on receipt.

UNDP Report on Kashmir

266. SHRI BALASAHEB VIKHE PATIL : Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state :

(a) whether Kashmir has been shown as an independent nation in a project report sponsored by UNDP as reported in 'The Hindustan Times' dated 14 June, 1985;

(b) whether the State of Jammu and Kashmir has been referred to "Kashmir"-a term which is used by Pakistan to describe this State; and

(c) whether Government have protested

against such deliberate distortion and whether this has since been corrected ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI KHURSHID ALAM KHAN): (a) and (b). While describing a pilot wool processing development and training centre supported by UNDP/FAO in Jammu & Kashmir, a UNDP document relating to Administrator's Annual Report for 1984 on programme Implementation and issued in connection with the 32nd session of the UNDP Governing Council held in New York from 3rd to 29th June, 1985 referred to the territory of the project as "Kashmir". The word "Kashmir" was underlined and printed in bold format in the same manner in which independent countries were shown in the document, thus giving an erroneous impression that "Kashmir" was a member state in its own right.

(c) The matter was immediately taken up with the UNDP Administrator. They confirmed that it was an editorial mistake and expressed regret. In the final version of the document both the bold format and underlining of 'Kashmir' have been removed.

Steps to Revamp Tourist Offices Abroad

267. SHRI YASHWANTRAO GADAKH PATIL : Will the Minister of TOURISM AND CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that our tourist offices abroad are not doing good field work/ market research to attract the tourists to India; and

(b) if so, the steps being taken to revamp the tourist offices in the interest of tourism industry?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF TOURISM AND CIVIL AVIATION (SHRI ASHOK GEHLOT): (a) No, Sir. All overseas offices carry out market surveys in their regions from time to time within the limitation of their resources. The Department also have a Market Research Cell, which record the number of tourist arrivals from each region.

(b) Independently, the Department of Tourism has set up an overseas operations Review Committee to examine as to how SRAVÁNA 2, 1907 (SAKA)

these Regional offices can be further strengthened.

Drawbacks in Implementation of IRDP

268. SHRI MOOL CHAND DAGA : SHRI ZAINAL ABEDIN :

Will the Minister of PLANNING be pleased to state :

(a) whether Planning Commission have found some drawbacks in implementation of the Integrated Rural Development programme; and

(b) if so, what are those drawbacks?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PLANNING (SHRI K.R. NARAYANAN): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) In the Evalution Report, brought out by the Programme Evaluation Organisation of the Planning Commission, some drawbacks in implementation of the Integrated Rural Development Programme (IRDP) have been indicated. These relate, interalia, to: (i) administration and organisational set-up at various levels; (ii) planning process; (iii) selection of target households; (iv) provision of appropriate schemes for beneficiaries; (v) quantum of assistance; (vi) functioning of financial institutions; and (vii) adequacy of monitoring and follow-up.

The detailed findings are given in the Evaluation Report, copies of which are available in Parliament Library.

Holding of Festivals of India in Other Countries

269. SHRI K. KUNJAMBU : Will THE MINISTER OF CULTURE be pleased to state;

(a) whether festsival of India was held recently in France and U.S.A.;

(b) if so, the impact of these on the public of these countries;

(c) whether Government propose to hold semilar festivals in other friendly countries also; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PERSONNEL AND TRAI- NING, ADMINISTRATIVE REFORMS AND PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND FEN-SION AND IN THE DEPARTMENT OF CULTURE (SHRI K.P. SINGH DEO): (a) The Festival of India was inaugurated in France and U.S.A. in June 1985 and will continue till June 1986 and December 1986 respectively.

(b) Both the Festivals have so far attracted wide public attention in the two countries and received extensive coverage in the printed and electronic media there. The long-term impact of the Festivals will come from the change in the perceptions of India held by the people of these countries who will be exposed not only to India's heritage but also to the achievements of modern India.

- (c) Yes, Sir.
- (d) Details are yet to be worked out.

[Translation]

Decline in Traffic of Air India

270. SHRI HARISH RAWAT: Will the Minister of TOURISM AND CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether traific of Air India has declined due to recent disastrous explosion in the Air India plane; and

(b) if so, the percentage by which it has declined and the remedial steps proposed to be taken ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF TOURISM AND CIVIL AVIATION (SHRI ASHOK GEHLOT): (a) and (b). The decline in traffic of Air India has been only about 5%. Steps taken to provide intensive security coverage are expected to instil a sense of confidence amongst the traffic. A suitable compaign would also be mounted for this purpose.

[English]

Issue of Passports

271. SHRI V.S. KRISHNA IYER : Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state :

(a) the number of passports issued from January, 1985 to June, 1985 from various passport Offices in India;