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Shares in Air India Airlines

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Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM be pleased to state:

- (a) whether there is an proposal to offer shares in the Air Indian and the Indian Airlines to the staff of two organisation:
 - (b) if so, the details thereof:
- (c) whether the Government have formulated any pricing formula for these shares:
- (d) if so, the time by which the proposal is likely to be finalised and implemented; and
- (e) the reaction of the employees thereto?

THE MINISTER OF CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM (SHRI MADHAVRAO SCIN-DIA): (a) and (b). Yes, Sir. Two Companies under the Companies Act, 1956, namely, Indian Airlines Ltd. and Air India Ltd. are intended to be incorporated to replace the two Air Corporations, i. e. Indian Airlines and Air india, to enable them mobilise capital to meet growth requirements, provide opportunity of participation in the shareholding of the companies to workers in the first instance, and later, if necessary, to mutual proposed in this connection to restructure the two Air Corporations for which a Bill will be introduced or consideration of the Parliament.

- (c) No. Sir.
- (d) and (e). Do not arise.

Privatigation of Tourism

*570. DR. LAXMINARAYAN PANDEY: DR. A. K. PATEL:

Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government have decided to privates tourism and hand over certain places to private sector for development as tourist resorts
- (b) if so, the details thereof and the modalities for selection of private parties for the purpose:
- (c) whether the Government propose to invite global tenders and if so, the parametres of the tender notice:
- (d) whether any specific places have been selected for this purpose; and
 - (e) If so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM (SHRI MADHAVRAO SCIN-DIA): (a) to (e). Government's policy has been to encourage growth of tourism mainly in the private sector. Recently offers have been invited from private parties for setting up of hotels and resorts in locations in Lakshadweep and Delhi. These offers will be considered in accordance with the investment policy, environment requiations and other factors related to need for development of tourism infrastructure and facilities in the country.

Negotiations with Asiasat to Lease Trainsponder

*571. SHRI MOHAN RAWALE: KUMARI PUSPA DEVI SINGH:

Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government propose to revive the negotiations with Asiasat, to leas a transponder on its satellite to telecast Doordarshan's programmes: