

**Visit of Foreign Tourists to South India**

taken to attract more foreign tourists to South India especially Karnataka; and

952. SHRI JANARDHANA POOJARY:

Will the Minister of TOURISM be pleased to state:

(c) if so, the details thereof?

(a) the number of foreign tourists who visited places of tourist interest in South India, especially Karnataka during 1989, 1990 and so for in 1991;

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF TOURISM (SHRIMATI USHA SINHA): (a) As per the information available from the State Governments, the foreign tourist traffic to South India during 1989 and 1990 are as given below:

(b) whether any measures are being

	<i>Number of foreign Tourists</i>	
	<i>1989</i>	<i>1990</i>
Andhra Pradesh	28,479	30,028 (Upto November)
Kerala	1,25,686	77,554 (Upto May)
Tamil Nadu	3,79,113	2,89,944 (Upto November)
Karnataka	*	92,421 (Upto September)

Figures for later period are not available.

\* Comparable figures for 1989 in the case of Karnataka are not available.

(b) and (c). Development of tourism is primarily the responsibility of State Government. The Central Government, however, provide financial assistance on the basis of specific proposals received from the States/ Union Territories, inter-se priorities and availability of funds. All the States in South India including Karnataka, have been given such assistance for various schemes and tourist attractions of these states are being given wide publicity in the overseas markets.

**Development of Tourist Spot in Madhya Pradesh**

953. SHRI YAMUNA PRASAD SHASTRI: Will the Minister of TOURISM be pleased to state:

(a) whether some places of tourist interest in Madhya Pradesh are proposed to be developed during this year; and

(b) if so, the details thereof and the