

(d) if not, the reasons therefor and when the necessary action plan is likely to be drawn up at the national level ?

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

(b) to (d). Discussions on the Tribal Sub-Plan for the Seventh Plan (1985-90) and Annual Plan (1985-86) have been completed with the representatives of all the 17 States and 2 Union Territories which are covered under the Tribal sub-Plan strategy. They have been instructed to revise their documents in accordance with the Working Group Report's strategy for Tribal Development. The Tribal sub-Plan documents are presently under finalisation at the level of the Planning Commission. The action plan for each State is incorporated in their respective Tribal Sub-Plan documents.

Construction of Airport at Simla

2457. SHRI YASHWANTRAO GADAKH PATIL : Will the Minister of TOURISM AND CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state :

(a) whether construction of airport at Simla has been considerably delayed;

(b) if so, the reasons for delay; and

(c) when the work on the airport is likely to be completed ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PERSONNEL AND TRAINING, ADMINISTRATIVE REFORMS AND PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PENSION AND IN THE DEPARTMENT OF CULTURE (SHRI K.P. SINGH DEO) : (a) and (b). The Project Report relating to Simla Airport is being processed for obtaining approval of the competent authority; hence the question of delay in construction does not arise.

(c) The project if finally sanctioned is likely to be completed by the end of 1988.

Facilities to Low-Budget Domestic Tourists

2458. SHRI V.S. VIJAYARAGHAVAN : Will the Minister of TOURISM AND CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that the facilities available to low-budget domestic tourists at different tourist centres in the country are very inadequate;

(b) if so, whether any perspective plan is being prepared to meet the requirements of this section of the tourists; and

(c) if so, the details thereof ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PERSONNEL AND TRAINING, ADMINISTRATIVE REFORMS AND PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PENSION AND IN THE DEPARTMENT OF CULTURE (SHRI K.P. SINGH DEO) : (a) There are some tourist centres where facilities available for low-budget tourists are not adequate.

(b) and (c). During the 7th Five Year Plan special emphasis is being given to promote and accelerate domestic tourism.

In order to provide economy class accommodation for domestic and budget-tourists, it is proposed to construct Yatri Niwases and low-cost budget accommodation jointly with the State Governments. Bharatiya Yatri Avas Vikas Samiti, a Society registered in 1978, is constructing Yatrikas (Dharamshalas/Sarais) at selected pilgrim centres. The State Governments have also been requested to draw up their plans with greater emphasis on provision of infrastructure for low-budget domestic tourists.

Performance of Indian Teams Since 1980

2459. SHRI PRIYA RANJAN DAS MUNSI : Will the Minister of YOUTH AFFAIRS AND SPORTS be pleased to state :

(a) the performance of Indian hockey, Indian football and Indian volley-ball teams in the major international events during the years 1980 to 1985 including Asian Games and Olympics, World Cup, Asia Cup Tournaments;

(b) whether the standard of games in the country is improving or falling;

(c) if the standard is falling, the reasons therefor; and