Foreign Collaboration with Hotel

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950. SHRI DILIP CHAKRAVARTY: Will the Minister of TOURISM AND CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state :

- (a) whether Government have taken any definite policy decision regarding foreign collaboration in Hotel business;
- (b) whether any proposals from the private sector are pending consideration;
- (c) whether these proposed hotels are going to help the low income groups; and
 - (d) the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF TOURISM AND CIVIL AVIATION (SHRI PURU-SHOTTAM KAUSHIK): (a) A review is in progress and no final decision has yet been taken.

- (b) Apart from the application of M/s. The Delhi Cloth and General Mills Company Ltd., Delhi, no other proposal from the private sector for setting up a hotel with foreign collaboration is pending consideration with the Secretariat for Industrial Approvals in the Ministry of Industry, the concerned agency of the Government in these matters.
- (c) and (d). No, Sn. The proposal envisages the setting up of an Indian Company for putting up a 5-star super deluxe hotel in Delhi at an approximate cost of Rs. 18 crores.

Collection of Income-Tax Arrears from Big Industrial Houses

951. SHRI DILIP CHAKRAVARTY: Will the DEPUTY PRIME MINISTER AND MINISTER OF FINANCE bepleased to state:

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(a) the progress made in the collection of arrears of income-ax and Sur-tax from the big industrial houses during the course of January to May, 1979; and

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(b) the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI ZULFIQUARULLAH): (a) and (b). At present, information of outstanding Income-tax demand is not being collected in respect of all cases belonging to the large industrial houses. Quarterly reports are received from the field officers in respect of outstanding demands of over Rs. 10 lakhs in each case. Since these reports are received as on 31st March, 30th June, 30th September and 31st December, figures relating to these cases as at the end of May, 1079 are not available.

According to currently available information, in cases belonging to large industrial houses [i.e., concerns registered under section 26 of the Monopolies and Restrictive Trade Practices Act, 1969, as falling under section 20 (a) of the said Act], income-tax in arrears aggregating to Rs. 11-15 croics were outstanding on 31-12-78 besides demands of Rs. 7-38 croics not fallen due in these cases. Out of the above, the total income-tax of Rs. 7-40 crores was collected/reduced/adjusted till 31-3-79.

The surtax in arrears in such cases as on 31-12-78 amounted to Rs. 0-06 crores out of which the collections/reductions/adjustments till 31-3-79 was Rs. 0-04 crores.

The list of the concerns wherein demands had been collected/reduced/adjusted during the period 31-12-78 to 31-3-79 together with the collection/reduction/adjustment is given in the statement annexed.

(In lakhs of rupees)

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Statement

Collection/ Reduction/ Name of the Company Name of the \$. Adjustment No. Group from 31-12-78 to 31-3-1979 3 2 1 INCOME TAX Associated Cement Co., Ltd. 11.70 I. A.C.C.

Bharat General and Textile Industries, Ltd.

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Norz:—The above list is not exhaustive and covers only those cases about which information has so far been received in the form of quarterly statements referred to in reply.

Students' Concession for Air Flight Round the Country

952. SHRI DILIP CHAKRAVARTY: Will the Minister of TOURISM AND CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether any step is being contemplated to extend students' concession for air flights round the country in the International Year of the Child;

- (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) if no, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF TOURISM AND CIVIL AVIATION (SHRI PURU-SHOTTAM KAUSHIK): (a) to (c). Indian Airlines is already giving a concession of 50% to bonsfide students in the age group of 12 to 36 for travel between the place of their study and home town. Indian Airlines also gives 50% discount to students travelling in groups of 10 or more for travel between any points on Indian Airlines net-weak in India when study tours and excursions are sponsored by educational institutions.