

Operation of Air Service between India and China

2179. SHRI MANPHOOL SINGH CHAÜDHARY: Will the Minister of TOURISM AND CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are examining the possibility of operation of air services between India and China;

(b) whether any talks had been held with China on the exploration of air services between the two countries; and

(c) how soon the proposal is likely to be materialised?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF TOURISM AND CIVIL AVIATION (SHRI CHANDULAL CHANDRAKAR): (a) No, Sir. However, Air India are examining the possibility of having negotiation with their counterparts in China for operation of such services.

(b) No, Sir.

(c) Does not arise.

राजस्थान के लखासर गांव के निकट सर्वेक्षण दल द्वारा कैम्प लगाया जाना

2180. श्री दौलत सारण: क्या इस्पात और खान मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि:

(क) क्या यह सच है कि राजस्थान के चुरू जिले में लखासर गांव के निकट एक सर्वेक्षण दल पिछले अनेक वर्षों से कैम्प लगाए हुए है; और

(ख) यदि हां, तो उक्त दल द्वारा अब तक किए गए सर्वेक्षण कार्य का व्यौरा क्या है और उसके क्या परिणय निकले ?

वाणिज्य तथा इस्पात और खान मंत्री (श्री प्रणब मुखर्जी) (क) और (ख): जी हां। भारतीय भूवैज्ञानिक सर्वेक्षण लाखासर क्षेत्र में 1975 से कार्य कर रही है। उसने पोटाश सचिव सहित वाष्पीय खनिजों के लिए चार बोर छिपों में लगभग 2600 मीटर ड्रिलिंग की है। विभिन्न बोरछिद्रों में 540 से 680 मीटर के बीच की गहराइयों पर 50-105 मीटर मोटाई वाले इलेक्ट्रिक (ग्रांडियम क्लोराइड) खनिजीकरण

का पता चला है। एक बोटाशयुक्त खनिज पोलिहोलाइट का भी पता चला है।

Recruitment in Public Sector Undertakings

2181. SHRI NITYANANDA MISRA: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) the recruitment policy with regard to various categories of posts in public sector undertakings under Government of India; and

(b) upto which pay range, the local people are given preference for employment if the undertakings are located in a State?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI MAGANBHAI BAROT): (a) Recruitment policy with regard to various categories of posts in public sector undertakings under Government of India is as below:—

(i) Appointments to the posts of Chief Executives, i.e., Chairman, Chairman-cum-Managing Director and Functional Directors are made by the Central Government on the recommendations of the Public Enterprises Selection Board or Selection Committees constituted for the purpose.

(ii) Appointments of senior middle and junior level posts are made by the public enterprises on the basis of tests/interviews and other methods adopted for screening the candidates at enterprise/all India level. Model principles for formulating recruitment and promotion rules have already been laid down by the Government for the guidance of public enterprises.

(b) Government have advised the public enterprises that recruitment to posts carrying pay scales, maximum of which does not exceed Rs. 800/- should be made only through the National Employment Service and other sources of recruitment could be

tapped only if the Employment Exchanges issue "non-availability certificates".

Steps taken in setting up of Alumina Plant in A.P.

2182. SHRI R. P. YADAV: Will the Minister of STEEL AND MINES be pleased to state:

(a) the steps taken by Government to implement the proposed alumina plant in Andhra Pradesh; and

(b) whether Government have approached other countries for collaboration in this regard; if so, the response received from the concerned countries?

THE MINISTER OF COMMERCE AND STEEL AND MINES (SHRI PRANAB MUKHERJEE): (a) M/s. Tsvetmetpromexport of the USSR who were entrusted with the preparation of the feasibility report for an export-oriented alumina plant of 6,00,000 tonnes per annum capacity based on bauxite deposits in Andhra Pradesh have submitted their report. The report is currently under examination of the Bharat Aluminium Company Limited.

(b) No, Sir.

Development of hot Spring in Puri District as a Tourist Centre

2183. SHRI CHINTAMANI PANIGRAHI: Will the Minister of TOURISM AND CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether it has come to the notice of the Government that in Orissa in Bhapua Block in Puri District, there is a hot spring covering an area of 10 acres in a most scenic spot; and

(b) if not, whether the Government purpose to call for reports and help to develop such a large hot-spring for a tourist centre?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF TOURISM AND CIVIL AVIATION (SHRI CHANDULAL CHANDRAKAR): (a) and (b). A hot water spring has been located

in Bhapur block of Puri District which spreads over an area of 3 acres and has the appearance of a marshy land rather than a hot water spring. The State Government has called for a report on the suitability of the hot spring water for human use, and will only thereafter examine the question of developing the place as a tourist centre.

बिहार में भुमरी तलैया में अभूक कागज कारखाना

2184. श्री रीत लाल प्रसाद वर्मा : क्या वाणिज्य मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि:

(क) क्या यह सच है कि बिहार राज्य में भुमरी तलैया के समीप जर्मन सहयोग से एक अभूक कागज कारखाना स्थापित करने के लिए दोनों देशों के प्रतिनिधियों द्वारा 1978 में एक करार पर हस्ताक्षर किये गये थे;

(ख) क्या यह सच है कि यह पिछड़ा हुआ अभूक क्षेत्र है तथा यह कारखाना इस क्षेत्र के हजारों व्यक्तियों को जीविका प्रदान करने के लिये यह अभूक कारखाना मूल उद्योग (मदर इन्डस्ट्री) सिद्ध होगा; तथा यह अभूक व्यापार को बढ़ाने में भी मदद करेगा; और

(ग) यदि हां, तो सरकार का विचार इस अभूक कागज उद्योग को कब तक आरम्भ करने का है?

वाणिज्य तथा इस्पात व शान मंत्री (श्री प्रणब मुखर्जी): (क) जी नहीं ।

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Development of Trivandrum Airport

2185. SHRI A. A. RAHIM: Will the Minister of TOURISM AND CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) steps taken by Government to further develop Trivandrum Airport in view of the increase in traffic especially to and from Gulf countries;

(b) any recent survey has been made to make the airport as an International Airport as Trivandrum is now a big tourist centre; and

(c) if so, the details thereof?