

and Shivpuri National Park in particular?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF TOURISM AND CIVIL AVIATION (SHRI KHURSHEED ALAM KHAN): (a) It is proposed to develop tourism on travel circuit concept for providing infrastructural facilities at centres along the identified travel circuits in an integrated and phased manner by pooling the available resources in the Central, State and private sectors. Discussions were held with the tourist officials of the State Governments and Union Territories. On this basis the following travel circuits have been identified in respect of Madhya Pradesh:

1. Gwalior-Shivpuri-Datia-Orchha-Khajuraho-Bandhavgarh-Khajuraho/Jabalpur.

2. Bhopal-Sanchi-Vidisha-Udaigiri-Bhopal-(Bhimbetka, Bhojpur)-Ujjain-Indore-Mandu-Maheshwar-Mandleshwar-Omkareshwar-Indore.

3. Jabalpur-Bhedaghat-Cherai-Dongri (Hot Springs)-Mandla-Kanha National Park-Bharamdeo-Jabalpur/Raipur.

A blue-print of tourism development has been received from the State Government. This is under examination for determining the schemes to be taken up in the Central Sector during the Sixth Five Year Plan subject to availability of funds and inter-se priorities.

(b) As may be seen above, Gwalior and Shivpuri have been identified in one of the travel circuits in Madhya Pradesh for development in an integrated and phased manner by pooling the resources in the Central, State and private sectors. Presently it is proposed to construct a Tourist Village at Shivpuri at an estimated cost of Rs. 40.00 lakhs.

### Disparity in pay scales of officers of Nationalised Banks

3104. SHRI K. LAKKAPPA:

SHRI CHIRANJI LAL SHARMA: a.

Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that there is a disparity in the pay scales of Officers of Banks, Banks nationalised in the first instance and some of banks nationalised during the year 1980;

(b) if so, the reasons therefor;

(c) the reasons why a disparity has been made in case of officers working in the Banks Nationalised during 1980; and

(d) action contemplated by Government in removing the disparity and bringing the pay scales of the officers of the banks nationalised in 1980 at par with those nationalised earlier?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI JANARDHANA POOJARY): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) and (c). While pay scales of the officers of the 14 banks nationalised in 1969 and State Bank of India and its Associate Banks were revised and standardised in 1979, the pay scales of the officers of the 6 banks nationalised in April 1980 continue to be on pre-nationalisation basis.

(d) The question of revision and standardisation of pay scales of the officers of 6 banks nationalised in April, 1980 is presently under active consideration of the Government.

### Items exported through STC during 1980-81

3105. SHRI SUBHASH YADAV: Will the Minister of COMMERCE be pleased to state the details of items exported through State Trading Corporation during 1980-81, and the

names of the agencies through which these are exported and the quantity handled by each such agency?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE (SHRI P. A. SANGMA): The details of items exported by STC during 1980-81 are as under:

	Sale Turn- over Val. in Rs. crores
1. Agricultural Commodities .	250.06
2. Construction material .	1.85
3. Consumer Products . . .	8.39
4. Engineering Products . . .	0.59
5. Leatherware . . . . .	38.64
6. Fresh & processed foods . .	5.26
7. Meat & Marine products . . .	1.89
8. Castor oil . . . . .	26.87
9. Sugar . . . . .	35.97
10. Molasses . . . . .	3.98
11. Textiles & Garments . . . .	17.03
Total . . . . .	440.53

Export contracts are signed between STC and the foreign buyers. The exports handled by Commission Agents of STC is very limited (approximately Rs. 12 crores out of the total exports of about Rs. 440 crores)..

#### Foreign Exchange earnings from Tourists during 1982

3106. SHRI HARIHAR SOREN: Will the Minister of TOURISM AND CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether his Ministry have made any estimate about the total amount of foreign exchange earned from tourism in the calendar year 1981;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether efforts have been made by his Ministry to increase tourist potentialities in the country for earning more amount of foreign exchange in the calendar year 1982;

(d) if so, what are the main programmes proposed to be undertaken in the sea coast States to increase tourist traffic; and

(e) the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF TOURISM AND CIVIL AVIATION (SHRI KHURSHEED ALAM KHAN): (a) and (b). The foreign exchange earnings from tourism for the year 1981 are provisionally estimated at Rs. 564 crores at current prices.

(c) The detail's of the steps envisaged by the Government to increase tourist potentialities in the country are intensive development of tourist centres falling along identified travel circuits through rapid development of tourist infrastructure such as hotels and surface transportation; augmentation of the fleet of national air carriers; intensification of promotion abroad through various publicity media such as films, audiovisual presentations, publication of tourist literature, advertisements etc.; augmentation of media relations by inviting travel agents, travel writers, publicists etc. on a familiarisation tour as guests of the Department so that in turn they can promote India.

(d) and (e). Tourism development in the Central Sector is taken up based on the importance of tourist centres, their popularity with tourists and the potential they hold to attract tourists. The schemes are not taken up on the basis whether these are located on coastal area or not.

It is proposed to develop tourist infrastructure at centres falling along the identified travel circuits in an integrated and phased manner by pooling available resources in the