

**Proposal for a New Airport
at Cochin**

1227. SHRI K. P. UNNIKRIISHNAN : Will the Minister of TOURISM AND CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state :

(a) whether there is any proposal before Government for a new airport at Cochin;

(b) if so, the main features thereof; and

(c) whether the newly constituted International Airports Authority has proposed the development of Cochin Airport into an international airport ?

THE MINISTER OF TOURISM AND CIVIL AVIATION (DR. KARAN SINGH) :

(a) and (b). Construction of a new aerodrome for Cochin cannot be taken up in the near future as funds for airport development are already fully committed.

(c) No, Sir.

**Proposal to Earmark Additional
Funds for Development of
Tourism in Uttar Pradesh**

1228. SHRI NARENDRA SINGH BISHT : Will the Minister of TOURISM AND CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state whether Government propose to earmark additional funds to Uttar Pradesh Government for the development of Tourism in the State ?

THE MINISTER OF TOURISM AND CIVIL AVIATION (DR. KARAN SINGH) : The funds provided in the Fourth Plan having already been committed, it is not proposed to earmark any additional funds for the development of tourism in Uttar Pradesh.

**Development of Tourism in Hill
Districts of Uttar Pradesh**

1229. SHRI NARENDRA SINGH BISHT : Will the Minister of TOURISM AND CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state :

(a) the amount allocated by Government to the State of Uttar Pradesh for the deve-

lopment of tourism in the Hill Districts of the State viz., Almora, Chamoli, Dehradun, Nainital, Pauri-Garhwal, Pithoragarh, Tehri-Garhwal and Uttarkashi;

(b) whether Government propose to prepare a comprehensive plan for the development of these Districts from the point of view of tourism; and

(c) if so, when ?

THE MINISTER OF TOURISM AND CIVIL AVIATION (DR. KARAN SINGH) :

(a) In the fourth Plan a youth hostel at an estimated cost of Rs. 3.37 lakhs will be constructed at Nainital by the Department of Tourism.

(b) No, Sir, not for the present.

(c) Does not arise.

**Bureau of Public Enterprises' Report
on Public Undertakings**

1230. SHRI BANAMALI PATNAIK : Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state :

(a) whether the Bureau of Public Enterprises is reported to have admitted that some of the public sector undertakings are not doing well;

(b) if so, the names of such undertakings; and

(c) the steps envisaged to improve their workings ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI K. R. GANESH) : (a) It is true that the performance of some public undertakings has not come up to expectations. This has been due to both controllable and uncontrollable factors.

(b) Of the 79 enterprises engaged in manufacturing and trading activities as on 31.3.1971, the following have incurred losses during the last three years :

1. Hindustan Steel Ltd.