

(iii) As regards Duty Free Shops, he had stated that a portion and not major portion was taken away by the International Airports Authority of India.

#### Number of Tourists Visited Goa

9384. SHRI PURUSHOTTAM KAKODKAR: Will the Minister of TOURISM AND CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) the number of tourists who visited Goa during the last one year; and

(b) the amount of earnings as a result thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF TOURISM AND CIVIL AVIATION (SHRI SURENDR PAL SINGH): (a) The Department of Tourism maintains a record of foreign tourist arrivals on an all-India basis and not on State-wise basis. The figures pertaining to domestic tourist movements are not maintained by the Department of Tourism.

The number of international tourist arrivals during 1974 was 423,161.

According to a Survey conducted in 1972-73, 4.79 per cent of the total international tourists visited Goa during the period of the Survey.

(b) Earnings from tourists are not computed on a place-wise basis as information on expenditure incurred by a tourist at particular centres visited is not available.

#### Development of Pilgrim Centres in Goa

9385. SHRI PURUSHOTTAM KAKODKAR: Will the Minister of TOURISM AND CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state the total amount allotted to Goa for the development

of pilgrim centres to provide facilities to pilgrims and foreign tourists during 1974-75?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF TOURISM AND CIVIL AVIATION (SHRI SURENDR PAL SINGH): As the development of pilgrim centres visited by domestic tourists is primarily the responsibility of the State Government, the facilities at these places would need to be provided in the State Sector. In the Central Sector facilities are being provided at centres which are already attracting or have the potential to attract international tourists. Thus, in 1974-75, an amount of Rs 0.98 lakh was spent on the completion of a Youth Hostel at Panaji. In addition, a loan of Rs. 20.00 lakhs was given through the Industrial Finance Corporation of India to Messrs. Maberest Hotels (P) Ltd., for the completion of their 63-room hotel at Panaji.

#### Directions to L.I.C. to Devise New Schemes to correct regional imbalances

9386. SHRI M. S. PURTY: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have directed the Life Insurance Corporation to devise new schemes with the approval of the Planning Commission to correct the regional imbalance in its investments;

(b) if so, the salient features thereof, the total investments made by the Corporation in Bihar during the last three years, year-wise and the percentage of overall investments;

(c) the projects in Bihar where investments were made; and

(d) the investments to be made there during the next year?