

(b) if so, when these will be introduced?

**THE MINISTER OF TOURISM AND CIVIL AVIATION (SHRI RAJ BAHADUR):** (a) and (b). Indian Airlines are at present operating air services to Capitals of States/Union Territories except the following:—

Name of the State/ Union Territory	Capital
Dadra & Nagar Haveli	Silvassa
Himachal Pradesh	Simla
Meghalaya	Shillong
Nagaland	Kohima
Mizoram	Aizawl
Lakshadweep	Kavaratti
Pondicherry	Pondicherry
Andhra Pradesh	Itanagar
Sikkim	Gangtok

The Corporation have no plans to operate air services to the above Capitals/Union Territories for the present.

#### Promotion of tourism in Sikkim

1352. **SHRI S. K. RAI:** Will the Minister of TOURISM AND CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state whether Government are contemplating to take any further steps to promote tourism in Sikkim in addition to the provisional schemes included in State's annual plan for 1976-77?

**THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF TOURISM AND CIVIL AVIATION (SHRI SUREN-DRA PAL SINGH):** No tourism schemes, in addition to those included in the State's Annual Plan 1976-77, are contemplated for the present.

#### Decline in Expenditure of Centre and States on Development Works

1353. **SHRI SAMAR GUHA:** Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether expenditure on development works made by the Centre and other States declined from 60 per cent to 48 per cent approximately by the end of 1973-74;

(b) if so, the reasons for decline in such expenditure;

(c) whether during the same period decline in capital formation has also been recorded from 48 per cent to 33 per cent approximately;

(d) if so, the reasons for such decline; and

(e) the steps taken or proposed by Government enhancing capital formation and expenditure on development works?

**THE MINISTER OF FINANCE (SHRI C. SUBRAMANIAM):** (a) to (e). A statement giving the necessary data for the Fourth Plan period ending 1973-74 is laid on the Table of the House. [Placed in Library. See No. LT-10548/76].

During this period, the proportion of developmental expenditure to total expenditure of the Centre, States and Union Territories has fluctuated between 56.0 per cent and 59.1 per cent. Likewise, gross capital formation out of the budgetary resources of the Central Government as a proportion of the total expenditure of the Central Government has varied during the same period between 32.7 per cent and 33.6 per cent.

The ratio of development expenditure to total expenditure does not show any serious decline even though the inflationary pressures of 1972-74 associated with unfavourable weather conditions and a sharp deterioration in India's terms of trade undoubtedly affected the rate of growth of development outlays. However, with the decline of general price level since September, 1974, plan outlays were stepped up significantly in 1975-76 Budget. The Central Budget for 1976-77 has further stepped up the plan outlay by an unprecedented 31.6