

of India for financial assistance for the said project. The Delhi Administration and the Delhi Municipal Corporation, who were consulted, have also no information about it. Information is being collected from the Government of Haryana and will be placed on the Table of the House as soon as it is received.

National Parks

893. **Shri Swell:**
Shri Bodabrata Barua:

Will the Minister of Food and Agriculture be pleased to state:

(a) the number of National Parks which are in the country and their names and locations;

(b) the criteria for declaring an area as a National Park and the assistance rendered to it by Government; and

(c) whether it is a fact that Kaziranga, the home of the World-famous and rare one-horned rhinoceros, has not yet been declared a national park?

The Minister of State in the Ministry of Food, Agriculture, Community Development and Cooperation (Shri Ananashib Shinde): (a) There are three National Parks in the country, names and locations are:

1. Corbett National Park in Uttar Pradesh.
2. Kanha National Park in Madhya Pradesh.
3. Shivpuri National Park in Madhya Pradesh.

(b) National parks are defined as areas 'Dedicated by statute for all time to conserve the scenery and natural and historical objects of national significance, to conserve wild life therein and to provide for the enjoyment of the same in such manner and by such means as will leave them unimpaired for the enjoyment of future generations, with such modifications as local conditions may demand'.

As Wild Life is a State subject, the legislation for the creation of parks is to be enacted by the Legislatures of the States concerned.

The development of National Parks can be included under the Scheme 'Nature Conservation' in the State Sector and the pattern of assistance for all State schemes in the Fourth Plan is 30 per cent loan and 20 per cent grant.

(c) Kaziranga has not yet been declared a 'National Park'.

Aerodrome in Gwalior

894. **Shri Atam Das:** Will the Minister of Tourism and Civil Aviation be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is a proposal to construct a civil aerodrome at Gwalior in Madhya Pradesh; and

(b) if so, when it will be constructed?

The Minister of Tourism and Civil Aviation (Dr. Karan Singh): (a) and (b). There is no proposal to construct a civil aerodrome at Gwalior.

Development of Delhi Villages with Financial Assistance from Lebanon

895. **Shri Atam Das:**
Shri Mohan Swarup:

Will the Minister of Food and Agriculture be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the three villages of Delhi State are proposed to be developed with the financial assistance from the Lebanon Government;

(b) if so, the nature of the proposed development;

(c) whether any such assistance has been received from other countries for the development of villages in Madhya Pradesh; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

The Minister of State in the Ministry of Food, Agriculture, Community