

up at Dhuliyān (West Bengal). In addition, it has been decided to set up three 30-bedded hospitals one each at Sagar (MP), Mukkudal (TN) and Bihar Sharif (Bihar) for the benefit of beedi workers.

[English]

**Fall In Income of Doordarshan**

3568. SHRI GURUDAS KAMAT :

SHRI RAMKRISHNA BABA PATIL :

Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state :

(a) whether there has been slump in the income of Doordarshan;

(b) if so, the reasons therefor, and

(c) the steps taken by the Government to improve the income of Doordarshan?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS (SHRI MUKHTAR NAQVI): (a) and (b) Yes, Sir. Revenue earned by Doordarshan is likely to fall during the current financial year in comparison to that of last year due to fragmentation of viewership and increased competition from satellite channels.

(c) Prasar Bharati has reported that constant efforts are being made by Doordarshan to boost its commercial revenue earnings. In order to achieve this objective, Doordarshan has taken steps to telecast quality programmes, opening up of more commercial Kendras, to rationalise the commercial advertisement charges, to give incentives to advertisers to make Doordarshan more attractive etc.

[Translation]

**Tourism Projects Submitted by Delhi and Gujarat Governments**

3569. SHRI JAYSINHJI CHAUHAN : Will the Minister of TOURISM be pleased to state :

(a) the tourism projects submitted by the Delhi and Gujarat Governments to the Union Government during the last three years; State-wise;

(b) the projects out of them cleared by the Union Government so far; State-wise; and

(c) the reasons for rejection of the remaining projects in this regard, project-wise?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF TOURISM (SHRI OMAK APANG) :

(a) Projects received

State	1996-97	1997-98	1998-99
Delhi	3	8	23
Gujarat	11	7	18

(b) Projects sanctioned

Delhi	3	8	21
Gujarat	11	7	18

(c) Projects rejected

Delhi	-	-	2
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The project of Wayside amenities at Nandprayag and purchase of Tempo for carrying Trekking & Camping equipments received from the National Capital Territory of Delhi could not be sanctioned as they were not as per the approved guidelines.

[English]

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Public Sector

**Funds Allocated for PSUs**

3570. SHRI VAIDYA VISHNU DATT : Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state :

(a) the name of PSUs working under his Ministry;

(b) the number of PSUs participated for business promotion in Overseas Events like Seminar/Conferences/Exhibitions/Business Meetings etc., during the last 3 years and the details thereof, like financial involvement in each trip and the outcome; and

(c) the funds allocated for the year 1999-2000 to each PSU for participation in Overseas Events?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS (SHRI MUKHTAR NAQVI): (a) There are two Public Sector Undertakings working under the administrative control of this Ministry viz. National Film Development Corporation Limited (NFDC) and Broadcast Engineering Consultants India Limited (BECIL).

(b) The details are given in the statement attached.

(c) There is no budget allocated by the Ministry of Information and Broadcasting to NFDC and BECIL for participation in overseas events. The Companies will met the expenses from their own resources.