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ency), 4,528 villages have been declared electrified by the Uttar Pradesh State Electricity Board by the end of March, 1991.

Construction of Additional Sheds at Shahganj Junction, Uttar Pradesh

5499. SHRI RAM BADAN: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether there is heavy rush of labourers and other passengers at Shahganj station of Uttar Pradesh and capacity of the present waiting room is much less causing inconvenience to the passengers;
- (b) if so, whether the Government propose to construct additional sheds at station premises;
- (c) if so, the time by which the sheds are likely to be constructed; and
 - (d) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI MAL-LIKARJUN): (a) No, Sir.

- (b) and (c). Do not arise.
- (d) Adequate waiting facilities, as per prescribed norm, already exist.

[English]

Development of Tourist Circuits

5500. SHRI MUKUL BALKRISHNA
WASNIK:
SHRIMATI VASUNDHARA
RAJE:
SHRI DHARAM PAL SINGH
MALIK:
SHRI K.PRADHANI:

Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government propose any new scheme to promote tourism in the country;
 - (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the Government plan to identify tourist, circuits in the country; and
- (d) the time by which these tourists circuits would be fully developed?

THE MINISTER OF CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM (SHRI MADHAVRAO SCINDIA): (a) to (d). Development and promotion of tourism is a continuous process. However, the Central Department of Tourism extends financial assistance to the State Governments for augmentation of infrastructural facilities based on specific proposal, their merit and inter-se priorities.

The Central Department of Tourism in consultation with the State Governments have identified a number of travel circuits for phased development wit the combined resources of the Central, State and private sector.

Arrears of N.T.P.C.

5501. SHRI MUKUL BALKRISHNA WASNIK: Will the Minister of POWER AND NON-CONVENTIONAL ENERGY SOURCES be pleased to state the details of arrears due to the National Thermal Power Corporation, State-wise?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF POWER AND NON-CON-VENTIONAL ENERGY SOURCES (SHRI KALP NATH RAI): A Statement is attached.