GOVERNMENT OF INDIA TOURISM LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:3802 ANSWERED ON:19.12.2005 CONSTRUCTION OF HOTELS Nitish Kumar Shri ;Paraste Shri Dalpat Singh

Will the Minister of TOURISM be pleased to state:

- (a) whether luxury hotel chains across India are on a high with the hospitality sector finding it tougher to be hospitable to visitors;
- (b) if so, the details of occupancy in hotels during the last three years in 5 star hotels in Mumbai, Delhi, Bangalore, Chennai and Hyderabad;
- (c) whether the foreign tourists are flocking the beaches of Goa and the backwaters of Kerala;
- (d) if so, whether the government purposes to increase the number of hotels in Goa and in other cities; and
- (e) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF TOURISM (SMT. RENUKA CHOWDHURY)

(a) and (b): The luxury hotel chains across the country are showing improvement in their occupancy as well as revenue levels. The details of the occupancy in the hotels in the 5 star and 5 star deluxe category hotels are as under:-

Average occupancy in 5 star/5 star deluxe hotels

2001-02 2002-03 2003-04 Mumbai 63.8% 62.6% 66.3% Delhi 55.9% 58.3% 69.1% Bangalore 62.8% 72.4% 78.9% Chennai 65.0% 63.9% 61.6% Hyderabad 67.2% 71.0% 72.8%

- (c): Yes, Sir.
- (d) and (e): Construction of hotels is primarily a private sector activity and the State Governments/Union Territories have been advised to take appropriate steps to facilitate the growth of hotels by allocating suitable land, redefining land-use, etc. in view of increasing the number of tourists.