GOVERNMENT OF INDIA TOURISM LOK SABHA

STARRED QUESTION NO:178 ANSWERED ON:09.03.2015 REVAMPING OF DUTY FREE SHOPS Yeddyurappa Shri B. S.

Will the Minister of TOURISM be pleased to state:

- (a) the profit earned or loss incurred by duty free shops operating at various International airports in the country;
- (b) whether the Government proposes to revamp such duty free shops;
- (c) if so, the details thereof along with the new features/items proposed to be added to these shops, year-wise; and
- (d) whether the Government expects to earn more foreign exchange after revamping of duty free shops and if so, the details thereof?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE FOR TOURISM (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) (DR. MAHESH SHARMA)

(a)to (d): A Statement is laid on the Table of the House.

STATEMENT IN REPLY TO LOK SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO.178 ANSWERED ON 09.03.2015 REGARDING REVAMPING OF DUTY FREE SHOPS

(a): The India Tourism Development Corporation (ITDC) Ltd. is a Public Sector Undertaking under the administrative control of Ministry of Tourism, Government of India. ITDC is currently operating only one Duty Free Shop at the arrival lounge of Coimbatore international airport in the country. The details of profit/loss for the last three years and the current year in respect of this shop are given below:

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(Rs. in lakhs)
Year Turnover Profit/Loss
2011-12 114.66 - 20.53
2012-13 123.80 - 45.82
2013-14 206.06 -27.41
2014-15
(upto Feb'15) (prov) 206.55 -30.83
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Rest of the information relating to other Duty Free Shops is being collected and will be laid on the table of the House.

(b)& (c): ITDC is constantly broadening its products line at this Duty Free Shop and proposes to further enlarge the existing portfolio thereby offering the customers of this shop a wider variety of well known international brands.

Rest of the information relating to other Duty Free Shops is being collected and will be laid on the table of the House.

(d): ITDC expects to earn more foreign exchange after enlarging its portfolio.

Rest of the information relating to other Duty Free Shops is being collected and will be laid on the table of the House.