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15.	Karnataka	12
16.	Kerala	2
17.	Lakshadweep	0
18.	Madhya Pradesh	26
19.	Maharashtra	53
20.	Manipur	0
21.	Meghalaya	1
22.	Mizoram	0
23.	Nagaland	0
24.	Orissa	4
25.	Pondicherry	2
26.	Punjab	5
27.	Rajasthan	7
28.	Sikkim	0
29.	Tamil Nadu	21
30.	Tripura	0
31.	Uttar Pradesh	25
32.	West Bengal	10
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Total		253

Tourism Export Promotion Council

2580. SHRI K. YERRANNAIDU :
SHRI S.S. OWAISI :

Will the Minister of TOURISM be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government are considering any proposal to set up Tourism Export Promotion Council to boost foreign exchange earnings therefrom;

(b) if so, the details thereof alongwith composition of the Council and terms and conditions or promotion of tourism in the country; and

(c) the action taken to identify countries which are interested to invest in tourism sector?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF TOURISM (SHRI OMAK APANG) : (a) No, Sir.

(b) and (c) Does not arise.

Instrumentation Ltd.

2581. SHRI GIRDHARI LAL BHARGAVA : Will the Minister of INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) whether M/s. Instrumentation Limited, Kota, has become sick and the jobs of over 3000 workers are at risk; and

(b) the steps taken by the Government for revival of the above company and protect the jobs of the workers?

THE MINISTER OF INDUSTRY (SHRI SIKANDER BAKHT) : (a) and (b) Instrumentation Limited Kota was declared as a sick company by BIFR under SICA on 19.1.1994. The revival of the company is before BIFR which is a quasi-judicial body.

Pending Fertilizer Projects

2582. SHRI SUSHIL KUMAR SHINDE : Will the Minister of INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) whether the fate of four major public sector fertilizer projects, and rehabilitation of two such existing sick units has been in jeopardy for years together; and

(b) if so, the stage at which each of the projects is pending and the progress so far made in clearance thereof ?

THE MINISTER OF INDUSTRY (SHRI SIKANDER BAKHT) : (a) and (b) The four projects are Rashtriya Chemical & Fertilizers Ltd. (RCF)'s UREA expansion project at Thal in Maharashtra, Krishak Bharati Corpn. Ltd. (KRIBHCO)'s UREA expansion project at Hazira in Gujarat and UREA Project at Gorakhpur in UP and Indian Farmers Fertilizer Cooperative (IFFCO)'s Urea Project at Nellore in Andhra Pradesh. The two sick units are Hindustan Fertilizer Company Ltd. (HFC) and Fertilizer Corporation of India Ltd. (FCI).

Proposals for investment approval in respect of Rashtriya Chemicals & Fertilizers Limited (RCF)'s Urea Expansion Project at Thal in Maharashtra and Krishak Bharati Cooperative Limited (KRIBHCO)'s Urea Expansion Project at Hazira in Gujarat and Urea Project at Gorakhpur in Uttar Pradesh have been received during the period December 1997 — February 1998. These proposals have cleared the preliminary stages of investment approval.

The detailed feasibility report for Indian Farmers Fertilizer Cooperative (IFFCO)'s urea project at Nellore in Andhra Pradesh was circulated to the appraising agencies in March, 1996. Investment approval in respect of this project inter alia depends on the reassessment of the demand-supply gap for nitrogen nutrient in the terminal year of the Ninth Five Year Plan.

Hindustan Fertilizer Corporation Limited (HFC) and Fertilizer Corporation of India Limited (FCI) were declared as sick companies by the Board for Industrial and Financial Reconstruction (BIFR) in 1992. The revival packages for the operational units of these companies approved in