

- ii) Wayside facilities at Mangalwar
- iii) Refurbishment of Deeg Fort, Bharatpur
- iv) Refurbishment of Sunehri Kothi, Tonk
- v) Refurbishment of Rani Ka Mahal, Jaisalmer Fort
- vi) Refurbishment of Palace complex (Amer)

Disinvestment Commission

1581. SHRI DADA BABURAO PARANJPE : Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government are not serious about diversifying its shares in the public sector companies;

(b) whether the Disinvestment Commission in its first report and recommended the Disinvestment Fund comprising proceeds from Public Sector Undertaking Disinvestment;

(c) whether inspite of the fact that the Disinvestment Commission recommended an overhaul of the existing Voluntary Retirement Scheme and converting it into a pension or an insurance scheme to make it more viable and effective, a provision on the PSU Board and several PSUs to non-statutory Government control in the matter of pricing products and services;

(d) whether all these recommendations have not so far been implemented;

(e) if so, the reasons therefor; and

(f) whether constituting of Disinvestment Commission has not been helpful?

THE MINISTER OF FINANCE (SHRI YASHWANT SINHA) : (a) The Government is disinvesting its shares in Public Sector Companies from time to time.

(b) The Disinvestment Commission in its first report recommended setting up of a Disinvestment Fund out of the proceeds from Public Sector Undertaking Disinvestment.

(c) The Disinvestment Commission has recommended a voluntary Retirement Scheme of the nature of a pension or an insurance scheme, professionalisation of the PSU Boards and granting more autonomy to the boards on certain PSUs in decision making.

(d) Some of the recommendations have been implemented.

(e) Does not arise.

(f) The recommendations of the Disinvestment Commission forms the basis of Disinvestment Policy of the Government.

[Translation]

Financing the Small Scale Industries

1582. SHRI PANKAJ CHOUDHARY :

DR. LAXMINARAYAN PANDEY :

SHRI ANAND RATNA MAURYA :

Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether many banks have not been following the direction of the reserve bank of India regarding financing the small scale industries;

(b) whether the Government have identified such banks;

(c) if so, whether any action has been taken by the Government against such bank?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PERSONNEL, PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PENSIONS AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (BANKING, REVENUE AND INSURANCE) (SHRI KADAMBUR M.R. JANARTHANAN) : (a) Reserve Bank of India (RBI) has reported that studies conducted by it have brought out that all the banks are following guide lines issued by RBI regarding financing the small scale industries.

(b) and (c) Do not arise.

[English]

Provision of Facilities to Tourists in Rajasthan

1583. COL. SONA RAM CHOUDHARY : Will the Minister of TOURISM be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government are aware that tourists are facing lot of difficulties due to non availability of Hostels and Hotels in Historic and world fame town, Jaisalmer of Western Rajasthan;

(b) the number of foreign tourists visited Jaisalmer during the last three years; and

(c) the action propose to be taken by the Government to increase foreign tourists to this historic and desert district, Jaisalmer?