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12.12 hrs.

ESTIMATES COMMITTEE

[English]

Seventy-sixth and Seventy-first Reports

SHRI K.S. RAO (Machilipatnam): I beg to present the following Reports:

- (1) 76th Report (Hindi and English versions) of Estimates Committee on the Ministry of Home Affairs Lakshadweep and Minutes of the Sittings of the Committee relating thereto.
- (2) 71st Report (Hindi and English versions) of Estimates Committee on Action Taken by Government on the recommendations contained in the 64th Report of the Committee (8th Lok Sabha) on the Ministry of Finance (Department of Economic Affairs)—Customer Services and Security System in Nationalised Banks.

12.13 hrs.

MATTERS UNDER RULES 377

- (i) **Need to Set up Institutes of Information Technology in Bhubaneswar, Delhi, Hyderabad and Pune immediately as recommended by the Task Force set up by Department of Electronics**

[English]

SHRI SRIBALLAV PANIGRAHI (Deogarh): A proposal for setting up of an Institute of Information Technology was submitted by

Government of Orissa in January, 1986. Subsequently, the Department of Electronics, Government of India decided that four institutes would be set up at four cities in the country namely, Bhubaneswar, Delhi, Hyderabad and Pune, where Super Computer Facilities were being developed. Following this, a Task Force was set up by the Department of Electronics to prepare the project report of setting up of IIT. The Task Force has already submitted its report.

In view of the rapid expansion of the use of computers in Government Departments and Undertakings and consequential manpower requirement in this field, the early starting of the proposed IIT is highly essential.

I would like, therefore, request the Union Government to do the needful in the matter immediately.

12.14 hrs.

[MR. DEPUTY SPEAKER *in the Chair*]

[Translation]

- (ii) **Need to constitute a separate Himalayan Tourism Development Corporation for proper development of hilly areas adjacent to Himalayas and to attract more tourists there**

SHRI HARISH RAWAT (Almora): Mr. Deputy Speaker, Sir, the Himalayan region covered with snow and forest has always been the centre of attraction for domestic and foreign tourists. These areas have the rich potentiality to attract peace loving tourists and pilgrims and also those people who are interested in mountaineering, tracking, skiing and gliding. But due to the non-availability of modern facilities like transportation, communication, lodging etc. we are not able to exploit the existing potentialities fully. It has not only obstructed the economic development of the region but also deprived the domestic as well as the foreign tourists to make use of it. In spite of the willingness of