was partially commissioned in November 88 with 36 rooms and essential public areas. On completion the hotel will have 46 rooms. Besides, ITDC has also expanded its existing 28 room Hotel Kalinga Ashok, Bhubaneshwar by addition of 36 rooms.

The expanded block was commissioned on 23rd April, 1987.

(b) and (c) The following approved hotels are functioning in the State of Orissa:—

Place	Star Category	No. of Hotel	No. of Rooms
1	2	3	4
Bhubaneswar	5-D	1	72
—Do.—	5	1	72
—Do.—	4	1	51
—Do.—	3	Nil	Nil
—Do.—	2	2	74
Cuttack	2	1	30
Puri	2	1	22
—Do.—	Awaiting Classification	2	90
Gopalpur on sea	2	1	20
Total		10	431

Orissa would require additional hotel rooms with the growth of tourist traffic. For this, private sector is being encouraged to set up hotels by providing various incentives both by Central and State Governments.

Construction of floating Hotels in Maharashtra

1476. SHRI RAM NAIK: Will the Minister of TOURISM be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government of Maharashtra proposes to set up 'floating hotels' in the Arabian sea near Mumbai (Bombay);

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether any financial or other assistance have been sought by the State Government in this regard or Union Government propose to give some advice in this regard; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF TOURISM (SHRI SATYA PAL MALIK): (a) The Central Department of Tourism has not received any proposal from the Government of Maharashtra for setting up 'floating hotels'.

(b) to (d) Does not arise.

[*Translation*]

Doordarshan Relay Centre at Katihar, Bihar

1477. SHRI YUVRAJ: Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:

(a) whether construction work carried out at Doordarshan relay centre at Katihar, Bihar is being done with obsolete machine of Agra Kendra since 1988; and

(b) if so, the time by which transmission is likely to be started from there?