

WRITTEN ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS

[English]

Air Service from Goa to Diu

*364. SHRI SHANTARAM NAIK : Will the Minister of TOURISM AND CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state :

(a) whether Government intend to start an air service from Goa (Dabolim) to Diu via Bombay and Daman or otherwise;

(b) if so, the time by which the service is likely to commence; and

(c) if not, the reasons thereof ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF TOURISM AND CIVIL AVIATION (SHRI ASHOK GEHLOT) :

(a) to (c). Goa and Bombay are connected by air. Vayudoot have plans to airlink Daman and Diu with Bombay during the Seventh Five Year Plan period, subject to development of the requisite infrastructure and availability of aircraft capacity.

Visit of High Powered Delegation to Pakistan

*372. SHRI NARAYAN CHOUBEY : Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state :

(a) whether the Prime Minister had a meeting with the Pakistani President in Moscow when they were there to attend the funeral of the former Soviet President Mr. Konstantin Chernenko;

(b) if so, whether he had promised to the President of Pakistan that a high powered delegation will be sent to Pakistan to pave the way for reopening talks between the two countries; and

(c) if so, when ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI KHURSHEED ALAM KHAN) :

(a) Yes, Sir.

(b) and (c). The Foreign Secretary visited Pakistan from 4th to 6th April 1985 as part of a series of visits to neighbouring countries.

Allocation of Funds to Uttar Pradesh for 20-Point Programme

*373. SHRI RAJ KUMAR RAI : Will the Minister of PLANNING be pleased to state :

(a) the details of amount proposed to be allocated to Uttar Pradesh for speedy implementation of 20-Point Programme; and

(b) the number of persons in Uttar Pradesh who are below poverty line ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PLANNING (SHRI K.B. NARAYANAN) : (a) The Seventh Plan and the Annual Plan for 1985-86 of Uttar Pradesh have not been finalized so far. The outlays for the 20-Point Programme are not fixed separately and specifically but are derived from the approved outlays for relevant sectors.

(b) According to the consumer expenditure survey of the National Sample Survey Organisation (32nd Round for the year 1977-78) 50.09% of the total population of Uttar Pradesh was below the poverty line—50.23% in rural areas and 49.24% in urban areas. Information from the next consumer expenditure survey of the NSSO, which was part of the 38th round for the year 1983 is not yet available.

Export of Computers to Japan

*374. SHRIMATI USHA CHAUDHARI : PROF. RAMKRISHNA MORE : Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state :

(a) whether India will export to Japan, computers manufactured and designed by a private firm in Bangalore; and

(b) if so, the details of these various types of computers, their prices in comparison to the world market and their quality ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY AND IN THE DEPARTMENTS OF OCEAN DEVELOPMENT, ATOMIC ENERGY, SPACE AND ELECTRONICS (SHRI SHIVRAJ V. PATIL) : (a) and (b). Under a contract by an Indian firm in Bangalore with a