

Plan period in the administered prices of inputs like iron and steel, cement, coal and aluminium etc., which would no doubt have affected project costs. Upward adjustment in these prices was considered necessary to cover costs and improve the viability of the producing units and not to raise revenue.

In the absence of such revision the burden of higher costs normally falls upon the economy as a whole via the impact on the Budget arising from the losses of the public sector enterprises. It is not possible to isolate the impact of the revision of administered prices on the project costs as costs are affected by many factors operating simultaneously. However, while carrying out revision in the prices of inputs which are administered, the implications for projects costs and the burden on the Budget and the financial institutions are kept in mind.

Complaint about Catering Services in Aircraft

*307. SHRI BISHNU PRASAD : Will the Minister of TOURISM AND CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state :

(a) whether his Ministry have received many complaints against the catering services inside the aircraft of Indian Airlines ; and

(b) if so, the steps taken by his Ministry in regard to the complaints and the details thereof ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF TOURISM AND CIVIL AVIATION (SHRI KHURSHEED ALAM KHAN) : (a) Some complaints against the catering service in Indian Airlines have been received.

(b) Improvement in the standard of inflight catering is an continuing process. It is the constant endeavour of Indian Air-

lines to provide good quality food on flights. Some of the measures taken recently to improve the standard of inflight catering are as under :

- (i) To ensure improved quality of food through competition, Indian Airlines uplifts meals from more than one caterer at the same station ;
- (ii) Pre-flight quality control checks have been intensified ; and
- (iii) Additional vegetarian meals are being placed on all flights to meet any last minute shortages.

Construction of Hotels by ITDC in Orissa

*308. SHRI CHINTAMANI PANI-GRAHI : Will the Minister of TOURISM AND CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state :

(a) the number of hotels under construction by India Tourism Development Corporation in Orissa ;

(b) the number of hotels under construction by ITDC in joint collaboration with Orissa Tourism Development Corporation at different places in Orissa ; and

(c) the progress made in the completion of the construction of these hotels ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF TOURISM AND CIVIL AVIATION (SHRI KHURSHEED ALAM KHAN) : (a) The ITDC hotel at Bhubaneswar is being expanded.

(b) One.