

potentiality of the Chilka Lake, the Department of Tourism has already included it in the Travel Circuits indentified for Orissa and various proposals have been received from the State Government. The Central Government, however, has not conducted any survey regarding migratory birds from Polar region.

Direction of Life Insurance Corporation to Escorts for Replacement of Directors

*191. PROF. MADHU DANDAVATE:
SHRI RAM VILAS PASWAN :

Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that on 13th February, 1984 the Life Insurance Corporation of India served notice on Escorts, its Chairman and Secretary asking them to summon an extraordinary general meeting of the company and forwarded to them resolutions demanding the replacement of nine directors of Escorts by officials belonging to various financial institutions;

(b) if so, the circumstances that led the Life Insurance Corporation to adopt this new approach;

(c) whether this would be the general approach to be adopted towards companies in which Life Insurance Corporation holds equity shares;

(d) whether Escorts has taken any action thereon; and

(e) which are the other companies which have been served with the same type of notice ?

THE MINISTER OF FINANCE (SHRI PRANAB MUKHERJEE) : (a) to (e) The Life Insurance Corporation of India issued a notice dated 11th February, 1984 to M/s Escorts Ltd. under Section 169 of the Companies Act, 1956 requiring the company to convene an Extraordinary General Meeting for considering and passing resolution which seek to replace nine directors of the company. It is not feasible to react to the notice or deal with other aspects, since the notice itself has been impugned before the

Court and the matter is sub judice and L.I. C. has been impleaded as a respondent in the writ petition filed by M/s Escorts seeking to challenge the vires of Reserve Bank Of India's circular in regard to facilities for investment by non-residents of Indian nationality/origin.

कपड़ा उद्योग में संकट

*192. श्री मनोहर लाल सैनी :

डा० सुब्रह्मण्यम स्वामी : क्या वाणिज्य मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या यह सच है कि कपास की फसल के नष्ट हो जाने के कारण कपड़ा उद्योग में संकट आ गया है ;

(ख) यदि हां, तो तत्संबंधी व्यौरा क्या है ; और

(ग) इस उद्योग को इस संकट से बचाने के लिये क्या उपाय किये जाने की संभावना है ?

वाणिज्य मंत्रालय में और पूति विभाग में राज्य मंत्री (श्री निहार रंजन लास्कर) : (क) जी नहीं ।

(ख) और (ग) प्रश्न नहीं उठते ।

Exploring the Market Potential of Darjeeling Tea

*193. SHRI CHITTA BASU : Will the Minister of COMMERCE be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that Darjeeling tea has wide international market ;

(b) if so, the steps since taken for exploring the market potential of that variety of tea ; and

(c) the specific steps since taken for the expansion of cultivation of Darjeeling tea ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE AND IN THE DEPARTMENT OF SUPPLY (SHRI NIHAR RANJAN LASKAR) : (a) Yes, Sir,