[Translation]

Transhipment Terminal at Cochin/ Jawaharial Nehru Port

1215. SHRI YAMUNA PRASAD SHAS-TRI: Will the Minister of SURFACE TRANS-PORT be pleased to state:

- (a) the percentage of cargo shipment on Western Coast carreid through Colombo Port:
- (b) whether the Government propose to provide a large transshipment terminal at Cochin or Jawaharlal Nehru Port to avoid the flow of profits from Indian foreign trade to Colombo; and
- (c) if so, the time by which a big transhipment terminal like Colombo or Singapore terminal is likely to be provided and the proposed location thereof?

THE MINISTER OF WATER RE-SOURCES AND MINISTER OF SURFACE - TRANSPORT (SHRI MANUBHAI KOTA-DIA): (a) About 18% of Container Cargo handled on West Coast is transhiped terminal like Colombo Port.

- (b) A container terminal already exists at Jawaharlal Nehru Port. A container terminal at Cochin is also being developed in 8th Five Year Plan. However, development of these Ports as transhipment terminals depends upon the ability of these Ports to attract traffic and also willingness of the shipping lines to bring their transhipment containers to these Ports.
- (c) The container terminal at Cochin is likely to be ready by 30th April, 1991.

[English]

Development of Tourism in Dadra and Nagar Haveli

1215. SHRI MOHANBHAI SANJIBHAI DELKAR: Will the Minister of TOURISM be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Union Government are considering to take measures to promote tourism and to promote Tourism Development Corporation in the Union Territory of Dadra and Nagar Haveli;
 - (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) the time by which the Corporation is likely to be set up?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF TOURISM (SHRIMATIUSHA SINHA): (a) Ministry of Tourism promotes tourism for the country as a whole, including Union Territory of Dadra and Nagar Haveli. There is no provision for grant of financial assistance by the Ministry of Tourism to Union Territories for creation of a Tourism Development Corporation in the Union Territory of Dadra and Nagar Haveli.

(b) and (c). Does not arise.

STD Facility to Public Call Offices

- 1217. SHRI JOSS FERNANDEZ: Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:
- (a) the number of Public Call Offices manned by physically handicapped persons in Chamarjanagar town in Karnataka;
- (b) the number of Public Call Offices provided with STD facilities; and
- (c) the steps taken to provide STD facilities to more number of Public Call Of-