

(c) whether Government propose to extend the Indian Airlines daily service upto Aijal; introduce a daily Janata service between Silchar and Calcutta; and maintain, by the civil Aviation Department, a fire service station and an ambulance Unit at the Tural aerodrome near Aijal?

THE MINISTER OF TOURISM AND CIVIL AVIATION (DR. KARAN SINGH): (a) and (b). Indian Airlines had planned to introduce Fokker Friendship aircraft on the Calcutta-Agartala-Silchar-Imphal route from November 1969. This did not materialise because due to unexpected delay in the delivery of HS-748 aircraft, the Fokker aircraft could not be made available for the service.

(c) and (d). Apart from the direct Calcutta-Silchar service, there is a daily Dakota service on the Calcutta-Agartala-Silchar-Imphal route on which there is allotment of two seats each way between Agartala and Silchar. Indian Airlines hope shortly to replace the Dakota service with F-27 aircraft on the Calcutta-Agartala-Silchar-Imphal route. More capacity then will be made available between Agartala and Silchar.

(e) No such proposals are under consideration.

Demand for Central Take Over of Kutch Area

*286. SHRI MAYAVAN :
SHRI DHANDAPANI :
SHRI N.R. LASKAR :
SHRI NARAYANAN :
SHRI SAMINATHAN :

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that there is a great demand to bring Kutch under the Centre for bringing it on par with other developed areas ;

(b) if so, the reaction of the Union Government thereto ;

(c) whether it is also a fact that a memorandum in this regard was also submitted to the Prime Minister ;and

(d) if so, the action taken on that memorandum ?

THE MINISTER OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI Y.B. CHAVAN) : (a) to (d). Government are not aware of any demand to bring Kutch under the Centre. The State Government have reported that they are taking adequate measures for the development of the area. A memorandum on the need for economic development of the Kutch area was also presented to the Prime Minister during her recent visit to Gujarat. It has been forwarded to the Planning Commission for appropriate action.

Unauthorised Airstrip Found in Bombay

*287. SHRI S.K. TAPURIAH : Will the Minister of TOURISM AND CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that an unauthorised airstrip has been detected in Bombay which was found to have been used frequently by the smugglers on a large scale ; and

(b) whether any investigations have been made and, if so, the result thereof ?

THE MINISTER OF TOURISM AND CIVIL AVIATION (DR. KARAN SINGH) : (a) and (b). Investigation have not revealed any such airstrip in Bombay.

Paintings and Decorative Panels in Lounges at Palam Airport

*288. SHRI MEETHA LAL MEENA :
SHRI A. DIPA :
SHRI R. K. AMIN :
SHRI D. AMAT :
SHRI C. MUTHUSAMI :

Will the Minister of TOURISM AND CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state :

(a) the details of the cost of various large size paintings and other similar decorative panels put up inside the various lounges at the Palam Airport ; and

(b) the names of artists who were assigned these jobs ?

THE MINISTER OF TOURISM AND CIVIL AVIATION (DR. KARAN SINGH) :

(a) and (b). Of the approximately four lakhs spent on interior decoration; a sum of ninety three thousand rupees was spent on paintings and other decorative panels, details of which are furnished in the statement laid on the table of the house.

Statement

S. No.	Particulars	Cost Rs.
1.	6 Ceramic pots & 6 ceramic Ashtrays (Smt. Kiran Gujral)	3,100.00
2.	Mural (NAIKA)	15,000.00
3.	Art Work (1) (Shri Bishamber Nath Khanna)	3,000.00
4.	Art work (4) (Shri Satish Gujral)	6,000.00
5.	Graphic work (12) (Shri Roop Kishore Verma)	2,400.00
6.	Floor Ash Trays (6) (M/s. ESCRAFTS)	1,950.00
7.	Numdah (1) (Shri Ritendra Mazumdar)	500.00
8.	Antiques (HHEC) Garuda & Wood Carvings (1+2)	16,250.00
9.	Photographs (15) (M/Sc. Mahatta & Co. Archeological Survey,	4,312.40
10.	Blue Art Potteries (Glazed & unglazed tiles)	20,171.60
11.	Painting (1) (Shri Paritosh Sen)	2,500.00
12.	Wall Hangings (4) (HHEC)	3,102.00
13.	Fabrics	2,674.23
14.	Marble work	7,651.00
15.	Photographs—2@Rs. 400/- each (HHEC)	800.00
	TOTAL	93,410.00

@The above does not include 15% Design Fee+3% Handling charges charged by Handicrafts and Handloom Exports Corporation of India Ltd. (HHEC).

विदेशी पर्यटकों को आकर्षित करने

के लिए किया गया ध्यय

*289. श्री अशोक लाल बोहरा : क्या पर्यटन तथा असेनिक उद्ययन मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) विदेशी पर्यटकों को आकर्षित करने के लिए गत तीन वर्षों में देश के विभिन्न स्थानों में कुल कितनी धनराशि खर्च की गई है, तथा यह राशि किन स्थानों पर और किन-किन मदों पर खर्च की गई है ;

(ख) राजस्थान में पर्यटन की सुविधाओं की व्यवस्था करने हेतु भावी योजना का व्यौरा क्या है और इस प्रयोजन के लिए कितनी राशि की व्यवस्था की गई है ; और

(ग) देश में भारतीय पर्यटकों, विशेषकर जन साधारण के लिए, अब तक दी गई सुविधाओं का व्यौरा क्या है और भविष्य में ऐसी सुविधाओं की व्यवस्था करने के लिए बनाई गई योजनाओं का भी व्यौरा क्या है ?

पर्यटन तथा असेनिक उद्ययन मंत्री (डा० कर्ण सिंह) : (क) सभा-पटल पर एक विवरण रखा जा रहा है। [घंघालय में रख दिया गया। देखिए संख्या L/T 2757/70]

(ख) राजस्थान में जयपुर, उदयपुर और जयपुर-भरतपुर-डींग काम्प्लेक्स को उन स्थानों में शामिल किया गया है जहां पर कि पर्यटन विभाग की चौथी पंचवर्षीय योजना में पर्यटक सुविधाओं प्रदान की जायेंगी और उनका सुधार किया जायेगा। इसके अतिरिक्त, जयपुर में एक युवा होस्टल के निर्माण, और भरतपुर पक्षी शरणस्थल में आवास और परिवहन सुविधाओं, एवं सरिस्का आखेट पशु शरणस्थल में परिवहन की व्यवस्था करने का प्रस्ताव है। इन योजनाओं के लिए धन विनियतन का निर्धारण बिस्तृत जांच के बाद किया जायेगा।