

(c) when the scheme is likely to be launched ?

THE MINISTER OF TOURISM AND CIVIL AVIATION (DR. KARAN SINGH) (a) Implementation of the scheme has been delayed pending completion of certain formalities.

(b) and (c) : Steps are being taken to comply with the formalities and it is hoped to launch the scheme later this year.

**Permission to Students to refer to Text Books during Annual Examinations**

\*552. SHRI GADILINGANA GOWD: Will the Minister of EDUCATION AND YOUTH SERVICES be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that some State Governments have decided to allow the text books for purposes of references by students in the annual examinations ;

(b) if so, the names of the States in which this type of examination has been started and upto what standard of classes ; and

(c) the detailed reasons for introducing this system of examination ?

THE MINISTER OF EDUCATION AND YOUTH SERVICES (DR. V.K.R.V. RAO) : (a) to (c). No official information on the subject has been received by Government. However it is learnt that Punjab Government has a proposal to try out an experiment in middle classes in 1971.

**गोआ में शिक्षा की प्रगति**

\*553. श्री जगेदबर यादव : क्या शिक्षा तथा युवक सेवा मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) गोआ में शिक्षा की प्रगति के लिए गत तीन वर्षों में क्या कार्यवाही की गई है ;

(ख) क्या चौथी पंचवर्षीय योजना में शिक्षा के क्षेत्र में गोआ को कुछ विशिष्ट सुविधायें देने की सरकार की कोई योजना है ; और

(ग) यदि हां, तो उसका ब्योरा है ?

शिक्षा तथा युवक सेवा मंत्रालय में राज्य मंत्री (श्री मन्मथ वर्मान) : (क) 20,000 की आबादी वाले सभी क्षेत्रों विशेषरूप से पिछड़े क्षेत्रों में प्राथमिक स्कूल खोलने; और दमन में एक कला और विज्ञान कालेज खोलने; पणजी में एक औद्योगिक प्रशिक्षण संस्थान खोलने; और मापूसा, पणजी और दमन में तकनीकी हाई स्कूल केन्द्र और गोआ में एक इंजीनियरी कालेज खोलने समेत सामान्य और तकनीकी शिक्षा के लिए सुविधाओं को व्यतस्था में चहु-मुखी विस्तार हुआ है ।

(ख) और (ग). चौथी आयोजना अवधि में सामान्य शिक्षा के लिए 328.85 लाख रुपये और तकनीकी शिक्षा के लिए 84 लाख रुपये का आवंटन किया गया है। अधिक रूप से पिछड़े वर्गों के उन विद्यार्थियों के लिए ग्यारहवीं कक्षा तक निःशुल्क शिक्षा की व्यवस्था करने का एक प्रस्ताव भी विचाराधीन है जिनकी वार्षिक आय 1200 रुपये से अधिक नहीं है ।

**Development of Tourism in States**

\*554. SHRI PREM CHAND VERMA: Will the Minister of TOURISM AND CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state :

(a) the steps proposed to be taken by Government for the development of Tourism during the year 1970-71 ;

(b) how much money has to be spent on the development of Tourism in each of the States and Union Territories and which are the places to be developed ; and

(c) which are the hill stations in the country included in the plan of development on which Government propose to pay special attention ?

THE MINISTER OF TOURISM AND CIVIL AVIATION (DR. KARAN

SINGH) ; (a) A statement of the various steps which are being taken by Government for the development of Tourism is laid on the Table of the House. During 1970-71, it is proposed to lay greater emphasis on a sales-oriented marketing approach overseas, improved facilitation procedures and strengthening of the tourism infrastructure within the country.

(b) The Central Government draws up plans and implements Tourism schemes not on the basis of statewide allocation but having regard to the actual or potential attraction of a place for tourists. Central schemes are in addition to the programme of State Governments under their respective plan allocations. Important places where tourism schemes are proposed to be taken up during 1970-71 include Kovalam, Govindsagar, Delhi, Agra, Khajuraho, Jaipur, Goa, Ajanta-Ellora, Bodhgaya-Rajgir-Nalanda, Mahabalipuram and Elephanta.

(c) Gulmarg, Srinagar and Kulu-Manali area and Darjeeling. It is also proposed to provide a youth hostel at Mussoorie.

### *Statement*

The following steps have been taken by Government to attract more tourists ;—

1. Intensive publicity programmes in India and abroad with improved quality of literature.
2. Provision of more hotel beds in public sector hotels and incentives to the private Sector.
3. Opening of more promotional units abroad and intensification of publicity campaigns in existing units.
4. Liberalisation of policy regarding charter flights.
5. Abolition of visa fees with a number of countries on a reciprocal basis.
6. Bilateral agreements have been made with West Germany and the Nordic countries for the abolition of visas for stays upto 90 days.

7. Extension of the period of visa free entry on the basis of a Temporary Landing Permit from 7 to 21 days.
8. Improvement of facilitation procedures at airports.
9. Creation of holiday resorts at Gulmarg, Kovalam and Goa destination traffic.
10. Efforts are being made to eliminate the nuisance of beggars and touts.
11. Major improvements are being made to our four international airports.
12. Arranging more satisfactory and adequate transport facilities for overland journeys in the country.
13. Developing wild-life and shikar tourism.
14. Assistance to voluntary organisations, institutions and the private sector through grants and loans for improving and augmenting tourist facilities.
15. Improvement of existing facilities at tourist centres where possible.
16. Better maintenance of places of tourist interest including archaeological monuments.
17. Developing a training programme for building up a cadre of trained and qualified personnel for manning tourist services.

### **Giving of Advertisements by Air India Through a Foreign Agency**

\*555. SHRI SHARDA NAND :  
SHRI SURAJ BHAN :  
SHRI KANWAR LAL  
GUPTA :

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

(a) whether it is a fact that the Air India has been giving its advertisements through some foreign agency ;

(b) if so, the name of the agency and the amount paid for advertisements through that during the last three years ; and