

place, Udaipur, the lakes and historic Chittorgarh, the city of valour and devotion ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF TOURISM AND CIVIL AVIATION (SHRI ASHOK GEHLOT) : (a) and (b) The Department of Tourism in consultation with State/Union Territory Governments have identified 441 centres (grouped into 61 travel circuits) for phased development through the combined resources of the Central Government, State Governments and private sector. In Rajasthan the following three travel circuits have been identified for such phased development :—

- (i) Jaipur-Jodhpur-Osian-Pokaran-Jaisalmer-Bikaner-Jaipur.
- (ii) (Agra)-Bharatpur-Jaipur-Tonk-Sawai Madhopur-Jaipur-Saris-ka-Alwar (Delhi).
- (iii) Jaipur-Ajmer-Pushkar-Chittor-Udaipur - Rishabdev- Eklingji-Nathdwara - Ranakpur - Mount Abu-Jaipur (Ahmedabad).

In the 7th Five Year Plan a number of schemes covering such places of tourist interest such as Jaisalmer, Udaipur, Chittorgarh etc. are expected to be taken up in consultation with the State Government for development and promotion of tourism.

Setting up of Solar Thermal Energy Centre

3412. PROF. NIRMALA KUMARI SHAKTAWAT : Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state :

(a) whether Government propose to set up Solar Thermal Energy Centre (STEC) to meet the shortage of power;

(b) if so, the details regarding its location, cost and generation capacity; and

(c) whether Government have decided to give monetary incentive to

manufacturers of solar thermal energy equipments and users thereof ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY AND IN THE DEPARTMENTS OF OCEAN DEVELOPMENT, ATOMIC ENERGY, SPACE AND ELECTRONICS (SHRI SHIVRAJ V. PATIL) : (a) and (b) A Solar Energy Centre is being established at Gwal Pahari in District Gurgaon, Haryana to work on the development of materials, prototypes, testing and standardisation of solar energy devices and provide necessary links between other R&D organisations and industry. Land for the Centre has been provided by the Haryana Government. An outlay of Rs. 3.25 crores and \$ 3.73 million in foreign exchange has been approved by the Commission for Additional Sources of Energy for the Centre.

(c) Yes, Madam.

[*English*]

Places of tourist interest in Orissa

3413. SHRI SOMNATH RATH : Will the Minister of TOURISM AND CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state :

(a) the places of tourist interest situated in Ganjam District Orissa;]

(b) whether Government have a proposal to set up a tourist complex in Ganjam district of Orissa to boost tourism; and

(c) the steps taken for the promotion of tourism in Ganjam district ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF TOURISM AND CIVIL AVIATION (SHRI ASHOK GEHLOT) : (a) to (c) The Department in consultation with the State Government have identified Chilka Lake, Taptapani and Gopalpuron-Sea in the Ganjam district of Orissa as places of Tourist interest for phased development in the Central, State and the Private Sectors. There is no proposal at present