

Issue of complimentary tickets

3262. SHRIMATI RENUKA CHOWDHURY: Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM be pleased to refer the answer to Unstarred Question 1022 given in the Rajya Sabha on 21st March, 1995 and state:

(a) the names and occupation of the persons and reasons for issuing complimentary passes/tickets by Air India and Indian Airlines;

(b) the names and occupation of the persons and reasons for issuing complimentary passes/tickets by the Ministry of Civil Aviation and Tourism; and

(c) the names and occupation of the persons and reasons for issuing complimentary passes/tickets, under the discretionary power of the Minister of Civil Aviation and Tourism by the Department of Tourism?

THE MINISTER OF CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM (SHRI GHULAM NABI AZAD): (a) to (c) The information is being collected and will be laid on the table of the House.

Permission to foreign travel Agencies to Work in India

3263. SHRI RAJUBHAI A. PARMAR: Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that number of foreign travel agencies have been allowed to work in India independently or in collaboration with the Indian companies; and

(b) if so, what are the names of such companies, the country of their origin and the broad nature of their operation in India?

THE MINISTER OF CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM (SHRI GHULAM NABI AZAD): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) After the introduction of the new Industrial Policy, approval for foreign investment/collaboration for travel agencies has been granted through RBI/SIA to the following:

Name of the Company	Country of foreign investor/collaborator
1. M/s Tara Voyages Pvt. Ltd., New Delhi	France
2. M/s Japan Airlines Co. Ltd., New Delhi	Japan
3. M/s Artou Voyages Pvt. Ltd., New Delhi	Switzerland
4. M/s Odyssey Cruises Ltd., Bombay	U.K.
5. M/s Abercrombie & Kent India Pvt. Ltd., N. Delhi	U.S.A.
6. M/s Amadeus India Pvt. Ltd., New Delhi	Germany
7. M/s Turismo India Servizi Turistici, Jaipur	Italy
8. M/s P.L. Worldways Ltd., Madras	U.K.
9. M/s Shivpuri Travel & Tours Pvt. Ltd., Bombay	Nepal
10. M/s P & O Travel India Pvt. Ltd., Bombay	Netherlands