

3. मैसर्स यू० बी० एयर प्राइवेट लिमिटेड ।
4. मैसर्स ट्रांस भारत एविएशन प्राइवेट लिमिटेड ।
5. मैसर्स कन्टीनेन्टल एविएशन प्राइवेट लिमिटेड ।
6. मैसर्स जैगसन एयरलाइंस ।
7. मैसर्स ईस्ट वेस्ट ट्रेवलस एण्ड ट्रेड लिंकस ।
8. मैसर्स उड़ान रिसर्च एण्ड फ्लाईंग इंस्टीट्यूट ।
9. मैसर्स सिटीलिक एयरवेज ।
10. मैसर्स एरियल सर्विसेज प्राइवेट लिमिटेड ।
11. मैसर्स एयर एगियाटिक लिमिटेड ।

**Plans to attract tourists for Ajanta and Ellora Caves**

3366. SHRI KRISHAN LAL SHARMA : Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM be pleased to state :

a) whether it is a fact that Ajanta and Ellora caves, which figure among India's 13 UNESCO, recognised as world heritage sites, are a poor draw for tourists;

(b) if so, what are the reasons therefor;

(c) whether it is also a fact that these caves are in a neglected state; if so, what are the reasons therefor; and

(d) what plans are being drawn to develop them as a tourist attraction ?

THE MINISTER OF CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM (SHRI GHULAM NABI AZAD) : (a) and (b) The Ajanta and Ellora caves in Maharashtra are major tourist attractions for both domestic and foreign tourists.

(c) The Ajanta and Ellora caves being quite ancient require regular maintenance and supervision which is being provided by the Archaeological Survey of India.

(d) A loan agreement has been signed between the Government of India and the Overseas Economic Cooperation Fund of

Japan for the conservation of the monuments and development of infrastructural facilities. Besides this, the Central Department of Tourism and the Maharashtra Tourism Development Corporation promote the attractions of Ajanta and Ellora caves among tourists through publicity material and films.

**ITDCS Tourism Task Force**

3367. DR. SANJAY SINH : Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM be pleased to state :

(a) whether the India Tourism Development Corporation had set up a Tourism Task Force to open up new areas for tourism; and

(b) if so, what are the details of the new areas for tourism opened up by the Task Force, till date ?

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

(b) Since the inception of the Tourism Task Force, the following activities have been undertaken :—

(i) Setting up of Adventure Camps at Narwar (MP), Jaiselmer (Rajasthan), Bir (Kangra Valley, H.P.), Diu (Gujarat), Andamans (UT) and Coorg (Karnataka).

(ii) Setting up of a fast food outlet at Kulu (HP).

(iii) Preparation of Action Reports in respect of the travel circuits identified in the Tourism Action Plan.

**काठमांडू में विमान दुर्घटनाओं के बारे में नेपाल सरकार का परिपत्र**

2368. श्री अर्जुन जोशी :

**श्री छोट्ट भाई पटेल :**

क्या नागर विमानन और पर्यटन संघों को यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या नेपाल सरकार ने इंडियन एयरलाइंस को काठमांडू में विमान दुर्घटनाओं के सम्बन्ध में कोई परिपत्र भेजा है;