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27	Goa	801	1389	809
28	Gujarat	17947	13520	19271
29	Maharashtra	30928	27182	33266
30	Chhattisgarh	17348	17719	25933
31	Madhya Pradesh	15365	22332	42793
32	Uttarakhand	10948	10962	19270
33	Uttar Pradesh	45322	51123	56652
TOTAL :		567676	595451	975651

Encouraging investment in SMEs in Uttar Pradesh

78. SHRI KAMAL AKHTAR: Will the Minister of MICRO, SMALL AND MEDIUM ENTERPRISES be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government is making efforts to encourage investment in small and medium enterprises SMEs run by small entrepreneurs in Uttar Pradesh;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF MICRO, SMALL AND MEDIUM ENTERPRISES (SHRI MAHAVIR PRASAD):
(a) to (c) The promotion and development of micro, small and medium enterprises (MSMEs) is primarily the function of the respective State Government/Union Territory (UT) Administrations. The Central Government however, supplements the efforts of the States/UTs by providing supportive measures to boost the development and promotion of MSMEs and enhance their competitiveness uniformly all over the country including the State of Uttar Pradesh through specific schemes, which, *inter alia*, include the scheme for technological upgradation, comprehensive need based development of clusters, accessing markets, improved infrastructure, better availability of credit, facilities for training and capacity building of entrepreneurs, etc. So far, 114 clusters have been taken up in Uttar Pradesh for development under Micro and Small Enterprises – Cluster Development Programme (MSE-CDP). Out of these interventions in 7 clusters have been completed. Under the scheme of Fund For Regeneration of Traditional Industries (SFURTI) 100 clusters of khadi, village and coir industries to be developed over a period of five years from 2005-06, 11 clusters have been approved for the State of Uttar Pradesh.

Introduction of new train from Delhi to Hyderabad

79. SHRI MOHD. ALI KHAN: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government has any proposal to introduce a new train from Delhi to Hyderabad due to the heavy rush;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) if not, by when new train from Delhi to Hyderabad would be introduced?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI R. VELU): (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

(c) There is no such proposal at present.

The Royal Rajasthan on wheels

80. SHRI RAMDAS AGARWAL:

SHRI OM PRAKASH MATHUR:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Rajasthan Tourism Development Corporation (RTDC) has recently launched a luxury train 'The Royal Rajasthan on Wheels' costing Rs.90,000/- per night, for tour of Rajasthan;

(b) if so, the details thereof, capacity-wise and the details of expenditure incurred by Indian Railways and State Government thereon;

(c) whether it is a fact that rates fixed are exorbitant and it is most expensive train travel in world;

(d) whether "Zero Booking" was reported for second trip and only 23 passengers availed of first trip; and

(e) if so, what are reasons for such a poor start which lead to indefinite stoppage of train?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI R. VELU): (a) and (b) Yes, Sir. The Indian Railways in association with Rajasthan Tourism Development Corporation (RTDC) has recently launched the luxury train Royal Rajasthan on Wheels. It has a capacity of 82 persons on twin sharing basis. The estimated expenditure incurred by the Railways and RTDC on the project are Rs. 12.50 Cr. and Rs. 27.50 Cr. respectively. The current tariff for the deluxe suit are US\$ 699 per person per night on twin sharing basis and US\$ 1099 per person per night for single occupancy basis. The tariff for super deluxe suite, which are only 2 out of the total 41 suites, is US\$ 2000 per night.

(c) No, Sir.

(d) Yes, Sir.

(e) This train has been launched only recently and such trains take time to get established in the market. The operation of the train has not been stopped indefinitely though there has been cancellation of some trips.

Stoppage of trains

81. KUMAR DEEPAK DAS: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether in view of the tourism and historical importance and increased number of passengers in the sub-division headquarters of Bajali and Bijni, the railway stations of Bijni and Pathasala would be provided with stoppage of the South bound and North bound trains along with upgradation of facilities at those two stations;