

(c) The Commission is to (i) suggest measures for improving capacity utilisation, efficiency and productivity in industry (both in the private and public sectors), (n) analyse the existing policies in the global perspective and suggest measures to be adopted for improving the performance of exports and the balance of payments position, and (iii) examine any allied issues in the field of economic policy that may be referred to it by the Government.

Agreement between India and Mexico on economic cooperation

1346. SHRI R. SAMBASIVA RAO: Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that an agreement to increase economic cooperation covering a wide range of industries and products within a time schedule was signed by India and Mexico during Prime Minister's visit to Mexico in the month of August, 1986; and

(b) if so, what are the details in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI EDUARDO FALEIRO): (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

Construction of tourist huts in U.P.

1347. SHRI R. SAMBASIVA RAO: Will the Minister of TOURISM be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have received any proposal from the Uttar Pradesh Government with regard to the construction of tourist huts in the State during the current financial year; and

(b) if so, what are the details thereof and what are the names of the places where these huts are likely to be constructed?

THE MINISTER OF TOURISM (MUFTI MOHD. SAYEED): (a) and (b)

The Ministry of Tourism has approved a proposal for the construction of 10 Fibre Glass Tourist Huts to be put up at Sunil. Ghangharia, Gaurikund and Chopta in Garhwal Himalayas at a total cost of Rs. 33.74 lakhs.

Mexican help for the development of tourism industry

1348. SHRI R. SAMBASIVA RAO: Will the Minister of TOURISM be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Government have recently sought help from Mexican Government for the development of tourism industry and

(b) if so, what are the details in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF TOURISM (MUFTI MOHD. SAYEED): (a) and (b)

No arrangement has been worked out yet to seek help from the Mexican Govt. for the development of tourism industry.

Personal Insurance Social Security Scheme

1349. SHRI R. SAMBASIVA RAO: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) what is the number of districts in each State which have been covered by the Personal Insurance Social Security Scheme for poor families since its inception in 1985; and

(b) what are the names of the new districts in each State where this scheme is likely to be introduced during the current financial year?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI JAN-ARDHAN POOJARI):

(a) and (b): A statement is laid on the Table of the House.