

Sixth Plan outlay for Delhi

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Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the Sixth Plan outlay for Delhi has been drastically pruned;

(b) whether it is also a fact that Delhi Administration asked for Rs. 1,000/- crores; and

(c) whether Government propose to review the allocations to meet Delhi's demands?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PLANNING (SHRI FAZLUR RAHMAN): (a) to (c) The Five-Year Plans for 1978—83 for States and Union Territories are under consideration and will be submitted to the National Development Council. It is not possible just now to indicate the approved outlay for any State or Territory.

Collaboration between the Indian Tobacco Company with Sheraton Hotel

*160. SHRI BHUPESH GUPTA:
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Will the Minister of INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have sanctioned any collaboration between the Indian Company with the Sheraton Hotel of the USA in respect of three hotels in Delhi, Madras and Agra; and

(b) what are the reasons for which the collaboration had been approved and what's the total investment to be made in each of the collaborations in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF INDUSTRY (SHRI GEORGE FERNANDES): (a) and (b) A statement is laid on the Table of the House.

Statement

A proposal from M/s. ITC Ltd., to enter into a marketing and reservation agreement in the field of hotel industry with M/s. Sheraton International Inc., USA was considered by the Foreign Investment Board on 2nd December, 1978. The Board considered various view points and came to the conclusion that according to the current guidelines for collaboration in the hotel industry, foreign collaboration is permissible and that a number of such collaborations have been approved in the past and that M/s. ITC Ltd., should not be put in a disadvantageous position compared to M/s. Oberois and TATAs who are having such foreign collaboration. In the light of such over all considerations, the Foreign Investment Board recommended the proposal on the basis of payment of 3 per cent of the net turnover in respect of Publicity and Reservation fee for existing hotels viz., Moghul, Maurice and Chola to the foreign collaborator and the duration of the agreement was specified upto 31st December, 1988. Government approved the proposal on these terms and an approval letter was issued to the Indian Company on 27th January, 1979. There is no equity investment of Sheraton in this proposal.

Shortage of Black and White Still Photographic Roll Films

SNQ. 1. SHRI PRAKASH MEHROTRA: Will the Minister of INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that there is an acute shortage of black and white still photographic roll films in the country;

(b) if so, what are the details thereof; and

(c) what remedial steps Government propose to take in this regard?