

Development of Tourism in Sikkim

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Will the Minister of TOURISM AND CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have any plan for developing tourism in Sikkim;

(b) if so, whether Gangtok occupies an important place in the plan; and

(c) what steps have been taken in this respect?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF TOURISM AND CIVIL AVIATION (SHRI SURENDRA PAL SINGH): (a) to (c). No tourism schemes have been taken up in the Central Sector in the State of Sikkim so far. The draft Fifth Five Year Plan of Tourism does not include any tourism development scheme in Sikkim. However, Planning Commission have approved an outlay of Rs. 27 lakhs for tourism schemes in the State Sector in that Annual Plan for 1976-77 for Sikkim.

Loans to urban entrepreneurs in Uttar Pradesh by nationalised banks

*58. SHRI SYED AHMAD HASHMI: Will the Minister of REVENUE AND BANKING be pleased to state:

(a) the deposits in the nationalised banks in Uttar Pradesh during the years 1974 and 1975; and

(b) the advances made by the nationalised banks in Uttar Pradesh to the young entrepreneurs in urban areas during the above period?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN CHARGE OF DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE AND BANKING (SHRI PRANAB MUKHERJEE): (a) and (b). A statement is laid on the Table of the House.

Statement

(a) Deposits of public sector banks, including nationalised banks, in Uttar

Pradesh as at the end of September 1974 and September 1975 amounted to Rs. 907 crores and Rs. 1069 crores respectively.

(b) The statistical reporting system of commercial banks does not provide for separate compilation of data in respect of advances to such specific categories as 'young entrepreneurs in urban areas'. Usually, young entrepreneurs in urban areas seek bank assistance for starting self-employment ventures in sectors like Small Scale Industries, Road and Water Transport, Retail Trade and Small Business and Professional and Self-employment ventures. Data relating to outstanding advances of public sector banks to these sectors in Uttar Pradesh as at the end of June 1974 and June 1975 are set out in the statement (See below).

Public sector banks, advances to Small Scale Industries, Road and Water Transport, Retail trade and Small business, Professional and self-employed persons in the State of Uttar Pradesh at the end of June 1974 and June 1975.

(Amount in Rs. Lakhs)

Sector	June 1974	June 1975
1. Small Scale Industries	5573.23	6602.68
2. Road & Water Transport	682.37	731.23
3. Retail trade & Small Business	812.02	959.59
4. Professional & Self-employed persons	119.43	250.65

Note: Data are provisional.

Increase in foreign investments in India

*59. SHRI K. CHANDRASEKHARAN: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state the extent of in-