

International Tourism Training Centre

928. SHRI H. S. NARASIAH : Will the Minister of TOURISM AND CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state :

(a) what decision Government have taken on the willingness of Karnataka Government to make available land within the premises of Bangalore Palace for the establishment of an International Tourism Training Centre which was also inspected by a UNDP team; and

(b) by when Government propose to establish the Training Centre?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF TOURISM AND CIVIL AVIATION (SHRI SURENDRA PAL SINGH) : (a) It appears that the land within the Bangalore Palace may not be immediately available. Alternative sites are being considered.

(b) The project report for the establishment of the Institute of Tourism is under consideration of Government. The Institute will be set up after all necessary clearances are obtained and other requisite formalities completed.

Ban on import of nitrate sheets

929. SHRI H. S. NARASIAH : Will the Minister of COMMERCE be pleased to state whether Government propose to ban the import of nitrate sheets as their use in the manufacture of spectacle frames has been found to have adverse effects on skin?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE (SHRI V. P. SINGH) : There is no authoritative data to prove that spectacle frames made of cellulose nitrate sheets have adverse effects on skin. However, import policy of all items will be reviewed at the time of formulation of policy for 1975-76.

Airlinking of State Capitals with Delhi

930. SHRI B. C. MAHANTI : Will the Minister of TOURISM AND CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state the names of the State capitals which have not yet got direct air-links with the Capital of the Indian Union and the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF TOURISM AND CIVIL AVIATION (SHRI RAJ BAHADUR) : The following Capitals of States and Union Territories are not directly linked by air with Delhi :

Capital	Name of State
Trivandrum	Kerala
Dispur	Assam
Simla	Himachal Pradesh
Imphal	Manipur
Shillong	Meghalaya
Kohima	Nagaland
Bhubaneshwar	Orissa
Agartala	Tripura
Port Blair	Andaman & Nicobar Islands
Itanagar	Arunachal Pradesh
Dabolim	Goa, Daman & Diu
Aizawal	Mizoram
Kavareti	Lakshadweep
Pondicherry	Pondicherry

Except Simla, Kohima, Kavareti and Pondicherry where there are no aerodromes, Indian Airlines are unable to operate direct air services from Delhi on account of their tight fleet position, un-economic routes and high cost of aviation fuel.

Import of railway equipment by Brazil

931. SHRI AWADHESHWAR PRASAD SINHA: Will the Minister of COMMERCE be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that Brazil has placed orders for import of Indian railway equipment;