

**Academic collaboration between NCHMCT and CSHM**

\*199. SHRI JAIPRAKASH NARAYAN SINGH: Will the Minister of TOURISM be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Government has approved an academic collaboration between the National Council of Hotel Management and Catering Technology (NCHMCT) and Cornell School of Hotel Management, (CSHM), USA;

(b) if so, since when this academic collaboration has been approved with the details of collaboration and to what extent this deal would be useful for India; and

(c) the method of selecting NCHMCT and CSHM and the financial implications involved in this collaboration?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF TOURISM (DR. K. CHIRANJEEVI): (a) to (c) Ministry of Tourism, Government of India has not approved proposal of academic collaboration between National Council for Hotel Management and Catering Technology (NCHMCT) and Cornell University School of Hotel Administration, USA (CSHM).

**Afforestation projects**

\*200. DR. K.V.P. RAMACHANDRA RAO: Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government is implementing any afforestation projects, and if so, the details of the projects;

(b) the details of the funds spent by Government for implementation of these projects in each State including Andhra Pradesh; and

(c) to what extent the afforestation projects have achieved their objectives?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS (SHRIMATI JAYANTHI NATARAJAN): (a) The Ministry of Environment and Forests is implementing the National Afforestation Programme (NAP) scheme which is a 100% centrally sponsored scheme for ecorestoration of degraded forests in all the 28 States of the country through people's participation. The scheme is implemented through the State Forest Development Agency (SFDA) at the State level, Forest Development Agency (FDA) at the forest division level and the Joint

Forest Management Committees (JFMCs) at the village level. From the inception of this programme in the year 2000, Rs. 3209 crores have been released for afforestation in an area of two million hectares.

(b) The State-wise details of the funds released during the last three years and the current year including Andhra Pradesh is given in the Statement (*See below*).

(c) The objective of the scheme is rehabilitation of degraded forests and adjoining areas by institutionalizing decentralized/participatory forest management and supplementing livelihoods improvement process. The National Afforestation Programme scheme has been reviewed and the report submitted during 2008 *inter-alia* revealed achievement of targets of afforestation and the success of the programme in mobilising the people in protection and forest development activities. The programme has also been successful in providing employment opportunity, upliftment of rural livelihoods and reducing forest dependency among the vulnerable groups.

***Statement***

*State-wise details of funds released under the National Afforestation Programme Scheme during the last three years and current year*

(Rs. in crores)					
Sl. No.	State	2010-11	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14
1	2	3	4	5	6
1	Andhra Pradesh	10.48	15.15	2.71	3.75
2	Bihar	5.48	6.92	3.40	10.24
3	Chhattisgarh	33.25	24.74	13.33	7.75
4	Goa	0	0	0	0
5	Gujarat	29.43	27.00	14.30	11.68
6	Haryana	24.20	12.28	6.41	9.31
7	Himachal Pradesh	3.45	3.50	3.62	2.61
8	Jammu and Kashmir	3.99	6.89	3.37	8.11

1	2	3	4	5	6
9	Jharkhand	8.73	10.42	4.69	9.02
10	Karnataka	8.12	12.92	6.81	9.26
11	Kerala	7.54	2.04	11.30	6.96
12	Madhya Pradesh	30.39	21.43	9.15	15.12
13	Maharashtra	16.17	28.51	28.87	12.88
11	Odisha	11.20	7.30	3.38	5.36
15	Punjab	0	0.46	0.76	2.00
16	Rajasthan	4.94	6.23	4.14	2.81
17	Tamil Nadu	7.21	3.08	2.78	3.14
18	Uttar Pradesh	21.33	26.23	15.27	9.58
19	Uttarakhand	4.47	6.61	6.25	2.25
20	West Bengal	4.12	6.29	2.57	2.96
Total (Other States)		234.50	228.00	143.11	134.78
21	Arunachal Pradesh	5.52	0.00	1.66	0.00
22	Assam	6.08	7.95	1.47	0.00
23	Manipur	10.37	12.74	9.46	5.56
24	Meghalaya	8.79	4.31	9.10	4.50
25	Mizoram	12.21	13.44	8.78	5.58
26	Nagaland	10.11	11.69	10.88	4.91
27	Sikkim	11.99	11.18	5.42	3.77
28	Tripura	10.43	13.69	3.50	6.50
TOTAL (NE STATES)		75.49	75.00	50.26	30.82
GRAND TOTAL		309.99	303.00	193.37	165.60