

(c) whether it is also a fact that Government has asked ITDC to review all its hotels with the exception of its flagship Hotel Ashok in the capital and recommend viable financial models to reach within the next two months; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF TOURISM (DR. MAHESH SHARMA): (a) and (b) The Government has decided to sub-lease/give on O&M (Operation and Management) contract the following properties of ITDC and its joint venture companies which have been leased by the State Governments/State Agency to ITDC and its joint venture companies:

Sl. No.	Name of Hotel
<b>Hotels operated by ITDC</b>	
1.	Hotel Jaipur Ashok at Jaipur
2.	Hotel Kalinga Ashok at Bhubaneswar
3.	Hotel Jammu Ashok at Jammu
4.	Incomplete Hotel Project at Gulmarg
5.	Lalitha Mahal Palace Hotel at Mysore
<b>Joint Venture Hotels</b>	
6.	Hotel Brahmaputra Ashok at Guwahati
7.	Hotel Lake View Ashok at Bhopal
8.	Hotel Ranchi Ashok at Ranchi

Process has been initiated to obtain the approval/No Objection of the State Government to sub-lease/give on O&M contract these leased properties. In cases where the State Governments are reluctant to extend the lease, the property may be offered to the State Government.

(c) and (d) Presently the Government is considering the proposal to sub-lease/give on Operation and Management (O&M) contract the above eight properties of ITDC and its joint venture companies.

#### **Employment potential in tourism and hospitality industry**

2861. PROF. M.V. RAJEEV GOWDA: Will the Minister of TOURISM be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Ministry is aware that according to the Human Resource and Skill Requirement Reports released, the travel, tourism and hospitality industry in India together employed 6.96 million people in 2013 and are expected to provide employment to 13.44 million people over the next decade;

(b) whether the Ministry has prepared a road map as to how this expansion will be carried out, if so, the details thereof;

(c) the details and break-up of employment opportunity based on the category of employment; and

(d) whether the Ministry will be making additional investment in creating skilled labour for this sector or will it tap into the current pool of the hospitality sector?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF TOURISM (DR. MAHESH SHARMA): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The manpower requirement of Tourism and Hospitality Sector is market driven. The Ministry of Tourism on its part aims to sustain the effort to skill the targeted groups of employment. The Ministry drives its efforts through the Institutes of Hotel Management, Food Craft Institutes, State Tourism Development Corporations and the classified hotels amongst others. The Ministry of Tourism also aims to sustain the efforts to test and formally certify the skills of the existing service providers in the Sector.

(c) As per the report of National Skill Development Corporation on “Human Resource and Skill Requirements in the Travel, Tourism and Hospitality Sector (2013-17, 2017-22)” the sub-sector-wise break-up of employment in the year 2022 is as follows:

Sub Sector	Employment in 2022
Hotels	2.30 million
Restaurants	10.49 million
Travel Agents and Tour Operators	0.66 million

(d) The Ministry would meet the expanding demand of skilled and trained manpower by providing hospitality education to students as well as certifying and upgrading skills of existing service providers. The Annual Plan Outlay for the year 2015-16 for the Scheme of Assistance to IHMs/FCI/IITTM/NCHMCT was ₹ 165.00 crore and that for the Scheme of Capacity Building for Service Providers was ₹ 88.05 crore.

#### **Tourism projects in Himachal Pradesh**

2862. SHRIMATI VIPLOVE THAKUR: Will the Minister of TOURISM be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government has formulated any scheme to provide special funds for promoting certain fairs and festivals and tourism projects in various States;