

done by the oil industry all over the country, including in Uttar Pradesh, in a phased manner under its annual programme for enrolment of customers, subject to augmentation in availability of LPG.

[English]

### Visit of Tourists to Kashmir

1080. SHRI JANAK RAJ GUPTA: Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM be pleased to state:

the number of tourists who visited Kashmir during the years 1987-88, 1988-89 and 1989-90 (till date)?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM (SHRI SHIVRAJ V. PATIL): As per the statistics available from the State Government, the total number of tourists, both domestic and foreign, who visited Kashmir Valley during the years 1987-88, 1988-89 and 1989-90 (upto June) are as given below:

Year	No. of tourists
1	2
1987-88	764,422
1988-89	716,129
1989-90 (upto June)	188,266

### Earnings from Advertisements on Air and Doordarshan

1081. SHRI BALASAHEB VIKHE PATIL: Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:

(a) the earnings from advertisements on Doordarshan and All India Radio during 1988-89, separately;

(b) whether Government propose to increased the programmes on Doordarshan so that more advertisers can be accommodate; and

(c) what further steps Government propose to take to attract more advertisements on Doordarshan?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (SHRI K.K. TEWARI): (a) The gross revenue earned by Akashvani and Doordarshan through advertisements during 1988-89 is (provisional) Rs. 32.45 crores and Rs. 161.3 crores respectively.

(b) No, Sir.

(c) A Committee under the Chairmanship of Secretary, Ministry of Information and Broadcasting is currently looking into all aspects of commercial advertising on Doordarshan and All India Radio, including ways and means of increasing the revenue.

### Filling up of Vacancies in A.I.R. Vadodara

1082. SHRI RANJITSINGH GAEKWAD: Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:

(a) whether the vacant posts of technical, non-technical and Staff Artists/Artistes in other categories in A.I.R. Vadodara have been filled up;

(b) if not, the reasons thereof; and

(c) when these posts are likely to be filled up?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (SHRI K.K. TEWARI): (a) to (c). Against 108 sanctioned posts, as on

date only 15 posts are vacant. Filling up of vacant posts at a station is a continuous process. It is, however, not possible to prescribe any time limit.

[*Translation*]

**DAVP Advertisements to small and medium newspapers**

1083. SHRI KALP PRASAD PANDEY: Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:

(a) whether the All India Small and Medium Newspapers Federation has expressed its deep concern over the hike in prices of newsprint and has requested Union Government to give 70 percent advertisements of DAVP to small and medium newspapers; and

(b) if so, the reaction of Government thereto?

THE MINISTER OF STATE FOR INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (SHRI K.K. TEWARI): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The advertisements are issued to various newspapers keeping in view the publicity requirements and availability of funds. Since these are not given as a measure of financial assistance, no percentage can be fixed for different categories of newspapers. However, Government have requested all concerned to consider greater flow of advertisements to small and medium newspapers consistent with their publicity requirements.

**Allotment of Petrol Pumps and LPG Agencies to Scheduled Castes in M.P.**

1084. SHRI NANDLAL CHOUDHARY: Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) the names of places in Madhya Pradesh where petrol pumps and LPG agencies are proposed to be allotted to Scheduled Castes during 1989-90 and 1990-91;

(b) whether the petrol pumps and LPG agencies have not been allotted to Scheduled Castes during the last few years in accordance with their reserved quota;

(c) if so, the reasons therefor; and

(d) the time by which the reserved quota for Scheduled Castes is likely to be filled up fully?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS (SHRI BRAHMA DUTT): (a) Upto the Marketing Plan 1987-88, the oil industry proposes to allot six retail outlets (Petrol/Diesel) to persons belonging to SC category in the State of Madhya Pradesh at the following locations:

	<i>Location</i>	<i>District</i>
	1	2
1.	Allot	Ratlam
2.	Singrauli	Sidhi
3.	Ranpur Bhagelon	Satna
4.	Ajaygarh	Panna
5.	Bilkeesganj	Bhopal
6.	Banmore	Morena

Upto the Marketing Plan 1988-89 the oil industry proposes to allot 8 LPG distributorships to persons belonging to SC category at the following locations: