

**UNESCO Financial Assistance for
Auroville**

1523. SHRI MADHAVRAO SCINDIA :
DR. PRATAP WAGH :

Will the Minister of EDUCATION AND CULTURE be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that the Government of India had requested the UNESCO for financial assistance for the development of Auroville in Pondicherry as an International town ; and

(b) if so, the details thereof ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRIES OF EDUCATION AND CULTURE AND SOCIAL WELFARE (SHRIMATI SHEILA KAUL) : (a) and (b). No request for financial assistance had been made, although in the proposals for the UNESCO Budget for 1984-85, an allocation of \$ 1,00,000/- for Auroville, with which UNESCO is already associated, was suggested. This suggestion was subsequently withdrawn keeping in view the stringent budgetary position of UNESCO.

**Not Allowing Indian Ambassador to Visit
Peshawar**

1524. SHRI B.V. DESAI :
SHRI BALASAHEB VIKHE
PATIL :
SHRI DAULAT RAM SARAN :
SHRI CHHOTAY SINGH
YADAV :
SHRI JAIPAL SINGH KASHYAP :

Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state :

(a) whether Pakistan Government refused permission to allow the Indian Ambassador in Islamabad to visit Peshawar ; and

(b) if so, what is the attitude adopted by India in this regard ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI A.A. RAHIM) : (a) and (b). Government conveyed their serious concern

to the Government of Pakistan at the refusal of permission to our Ambassador in Pakistan to visit Peshawar and asked them to take immediate corrective measures in this regard. Government have also impressed upon them our concern that the facilities available to the members of the Pakistan Embassy at New Delhi are not matched by those available to members of the Indian Missions in Pakistan.

However, we have since been informed by Pak authorities that permission to visit Peshawar is now being given to our Ambassador.

Agenda of Commonwealth Conference

1525. SHRI B.V. DESAI :
DR. A.U. AZMI :

Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state :

(a) whether increasing danger to the international security environment, escalating arms race and the need for reform in the international money, finance and trade, relations were the major issues on the agenda of the Heads of Government of Commonwealth countries meet in New Delhi during November, 1983 ;

(b) if so what were the other items of the agenda ; and

(c) how many countries participated ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI A.A. RAHIM) : (a) and (b). The agenda for the Commonwealth Heads of Government Meeting was as follows :

1. Opening session.
2. Order of Agenda and style and format.
3. World Political Scene
 - (a) Global Trends and Prospects
 - (b) Southern Africa.
4. World Economic Issues.
5. Commonwealth Functional Cooperation