

concentrated for the present on the development of those places which are visited by international tourists with a view to earning foreign exchange, and also because the Department does not have the substantial resources required for undertaking development of the large number of pilgrim centres in the country. Thus, within the limitations of resources, the Department of Tourism has taken up the development of facilities at selected Buddhist centres for attracting a larger volume of tourists from Buddhist countries.

Aircraft obtained by Indian Airlines and Air India

2754. SHRI B. V. NAIK: Will the Minister of TOURISM AND CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state;

(a) the number and make of new aircraft obtained by Indian Airlines and Air India during 1974; and

(b) how many new Avro aircraft have joined the fleet of Indian Airlines during 1974?

THE MINISTER OF TOURISM AND CIVIL AVIATION (SHRI RAJ BAHADUR): (a) Four Boeing-737 aircraft, including one in replacement of aircraft lost in accident in May, 1973, were acquired by Indian Airlines during 1974. No new aircraft was acquired by Air-India during this year.

(b) None.

Seizure of Smuggled Goods

2755. SHRI K. LAKKAPPA: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state the increase in value of goods seized by the customs authorities in various parts of the country during the last three years?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI PRANAB KUMAR MUKHER-

JEE): The value of smuggled goods seized by the customs authorities in various parts of the country during the years 1972, 1973 and 1974 was as follows:—

Year	Value (Rs. Lakhs)
1972	2791
1973	3548
1974	6006 (provisional)

Inclusion of Tourist Spots in Karnataka by ITDC for Sponsoring Conducted Tours of Foreign Tourists

2756. SHRI K. LAKKAPPA: Will the Minister of TOURISM AND CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether India Tourism Development Corporation has not included places of tourist interest in Karnataka for sponsoring conducted tours for foreign tourists; and

(b) if so, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF TOURISM AND CIVIL AVIATION (SHRI SURENDRA PAL SINGH): (a) and (b). India Tourism Development Corporation does not offer all inclusive conducted tours for foreign tourists as this is done by the travel agents. However, in Karnataka, India Tourism Development Corporation has set up a transport unit at Bangalore, which apart from providing cars on hire, offers the following tours (exclusive of accommodation):

1. Bangalore—Mysore and back.
2. Bangalore—Halebid and back.
3. Bangalore—Bandipur and back.
4. Bangalore—Nandihills and back.
5. Bangalore—JJog Falls and back.
6. Bangalore—Tungabhadra Dam and Hampi and back.