

**Commissioning of HPTs at Chohtan  
and Ramgarh in Rajasthan**

1449. COL. SONA RAM CHOUDHARY: Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government are aware that two high power transmitters constructed at top Hill of Village Chohtan (district Barmer) and Ramgarh (district Jaisalmer) in Rajasthan about six years back to counter Pakistani propaganda have not yet been commissioned; and

(b) if so, the reasons for delay and the time by which these two high power transmitters are likely to be commissioned?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS (SHRI MUKHTAR NAQVI): (a) Both the High Power TV transmitters located at Chohtan (Barmer interim set up) and Ramgarh (Jaisalmer) have since been commissioned.

(b) Does not arise.

**Losses suffered by ITDC Hotels**

1450. SHRI CHAMAN LAL GUPTA: Will the Minister of TOURISM be pleased to state:

(a) The amounts recoverable from VIPs and others with names by each hotel/motel as on date;

(b) whether some persons are regularly staying in some of the ITDC hotels but making little payments; and

(c) If so, the amount recoverable from each such defaulter?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF TOURISM (SHRI OMAK APANG): (a) As on 31.01.1999, an amount of Rs. 39.84 crores was outstanding against VIPs (Rs. 0.25 crores) and others (Rs. 39.59 crores) in various hotels of ITDC. Hotel-wise details of these outstandings are given in attached statement-I. The breakup of outstandings by name against VIPs is given in the attached statement-II.

(b) No, Sir.

(c) Does not arise.

**Statement-I**

*Hotel/Unit-wise outstanding as on 31.1.99*

(Rs. in lakhs)

| S.No. | Name of the Unit       | Outstanding Against |         | Total Outstanding<br>(Provisional) |
|-------|------------------------|---------------------|---------|------------------------------------|
|       |                        | VIP                 | Others  |                                    |
| 1     | 2                      | 3                   | 4       | 5                                  |
| 1.    | Agra Ashok             | 0.01                | 32.99   | 33.00                              |
| 2.    | Airport Ashok Calcutta | —                   | 415.00  | 415.00                             |
| 3.    | Ashok Bangalore        | 1.48                | 307.52  | 309.00                             |
| 4.    | Ashok New Delhi        | 0.81                | 1059.19 | 1060.00                            |