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G.S.I.'s survey for finding metals in H.P.

1627. **SHRI MAHESWAR SINGH:** Will the Minister of STEEL AND MINES be pleased to state:

(a) the names of places in Himachal Pradesh surveyed by the Geological Survey of India during the last three years;

(b) the names of metals and the quantity thereof estimated to be found there; and

(c) when the exploitation work is likely to be started at places where metals are estimated to be found in large quantity?

THE MINISTER OF STEEL & MINES AND MINISTER OF LAW & JUSTICE (SHRI DINESH GOSWAMI): (a) The names of places surveyed by the Geological Survey of India during the last three years are: Akpa-Yangthang area of Kinnaur district, Pandoh-Karsog area of Mandi district and Dalhousie area of Chamba district for Tin, Tungsten and lithium minerals, Ghumarwin tehsil of Bilaspur district and adjoining area of Una district for gold, Garsah and Sainj valleys of Kullu district for Copper, Padhan and Panuh areas of Solan district for base metals and Ambota-Ranat area of Sirmur district for Lead-zinc.

(b) and (c) The investigations being conducted are of preliminary nature. No significant deposits have been found to warrant exploitation.

Assistance for the Development of Tourism in Maharashtra

1628. **SHRI HARIBHAU SHANKAR MAHALE:** Will the Minister of TOURISM be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government of Maharashtra has submitted any schemes for the development of tourism in the State during 1990-91.

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the financial assistance provided by Union Govt. therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF TOURISM (SHRI SATYAPAL MALIK): (a) and (b) In consultation with the State Govt. of Maharashtra the following schemes have been prioritised for financial assistance during 1990-91.

1. Yatri Niwas at Latur.
2. Tented accommodation.
3. Tourist Complex at Kayanagar.
4. Water Sports equipment.
5. Purchase of additional tents.
6. Visitors Centre at Aurangabad.
7. Fairs and Festivals—Rural Craft Centre at Pune.
8. Buddhist Circuit—Tourist Complex at Karla.
9. Catermaron to ply between Elephanta and Bombay Harbour Cruises.

(c) Project proposals with detailed estimates are awaited from the State Government. Therefore, it is difficult to quantify financial assistance.

Increasing Royalty on Iron-Ore in Maharashtra

1629. **SHRI HARIBHAU SHANKAR MAHALE:** Will the Minister of STEEL AND MINES be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government of Maharashtra have requested Union Government to increase the royalty on Iron-ore; and

(b) if so, the details thereof?