

Malayalam	..	4
Oriya	..	1
Tamil	..	4
Telugu	..	4

(d) The present arrangement is considered adequate.

STATEMENT

Regional language feature films which have won any of the following national awards or which fulfil any of the following criteria, as the case may be, only are considered for telecast on the national network on Sunday:

I. *Awards won in National Film Festivals*

- (a) National award for the Best or second Best Feature film of the year (in all languages combined)
- (b) The Indra Gandhi Award for Best first film of a Director
- (c) Award for best film providing popular and wholesome entertainment
- (d) The Nargis Dutt Award for Best Feature Film on National Integration
- (e) Best film on Family Welfare
- (f) Best film on Other Social issues such as prohibition, women and child welfare, anti-dowry, drug abuse, etc.
- (g) President's Award of 'Rajat Kamal' for the Best Feature Film in a regional language.

II. *Other criteria*

- (a) Entry in the Indian Panorama and mainstream Sections of any International Film Festival of India/Filmotsav
- (b) Films which have celebrated Silver Jubilee (having run continuously for 25 weeks) and carry a 'U' certificate.

Increase in Smuggling Activities with Reopening of Khasa Kodari Road

887. SHRI M.V. CHANDRA SHEKARA MURTHY: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether smuggling has increased sharply from the North following reopening of the Khasa Kodari road; and

(b) if so, what steps Government have taken or propose to take to curb smuggling activities across Indo-Nepal border?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI ANIL SHASTRI): (a) and (b). Available reports do not indicate any sharp increase in smuggling from the North following reopening of the Khasa Kodari road. Anti-smuggling machinery on the Indo-Nepal border has been geared up. Close co-ordination is maintained with all the agencies concerned in the prevention and detection of smuggling. Special drives are launched from time to time on the border to curb smuggling. Constant re-deployment of staff and equipment to areas vulnerable to smuggling is undertaken. Sophisticated equipment like metal detectors, walkie-talkies and night vision binoculars etc. are being increasingly used.

Instructions for Use of Maruti Vans

888. SHRI M.V. CHANDRA SHEKARA MURTHY:
SHRI V. SREENIVASA PRASAD:
DR. C. SILVERA:

Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have instructed all Ministries/Departments to make use of Maruti Vans in place of Ambassador Cars to save petrol;

(b) if so, whether the instructions are being strictly followed by all the Ministries/Departments; and

(c) if not, the steps being taken to ensure their compliance?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI ANIL SHASTRI): (a) to (c). Instructions were issued in 1985 to all Central Government Departments that in addition to Ambassador/Fiat cars, they could also purchase Maruti cars for use as staff cars. Subsequently, purchase of Maruti vans and Gypsies was also allowed. These instructions have recently been reiterated, keeping in view the need to economise on consumption of fuel.

Banning Use of Government Vehicles on Sundays

889. SHRI M.V. CHANDRA SHEKARA MURTHY:
SHRI V. SREENIVASA PRASAD:
DR. C. SILVERA:

Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have a proposal to ban use of Government vehicles on Sundays with a view to curbing petrol consumption;

(b) if so, the details of instructions issued in this regard;

(c) whether instructions have also been issued to State Governments to follow the guidelines in this regard;

(d) if so, by when the instructions would be implemented; and

(e) the measures proposed to be taken to watch implementation of the decision?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI ANIL SHASTRI): (a) No, Sir.

(b) to (e). Do not arise.

Demand for Continuation of Mahabharat for Showing Swargarohan of Pandavas

890. SHRI C.P. MUDALAGIRIYAPPA: Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is a demand by several organisations and by the people in general for the continuation of 'Mahabharat' on the pattern of 'Uttar Ramayan' to show "Swargarohan" of Pandavas;

(b) whether the producers of Mahabharat have come forward to produce such a T.V. serial episodes depicting 'Swargarohan'; and

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

THE MINISTER OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING AND MINISTER OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS (SHRI P UPENDRA): (a) No, Sir.

(b) No such proposal appears to have been received.

(c) Does not arise.

Export Obligation of Companies

891. SHRIMATI SUBHASHINI ALI: Will the Minister of COMMERCE be pleased to state: