

(c) the financial assistance which the Central Government propose to give for the same?

The Minister of Information and Broadcasting (Shri K. K. Shah): (a) The Central Government have no plans to open a Film Studio in Orissa

(b) No, sir.

(c) Does not arise.

Naval Training Institute at Paradeep Port

49. Shri Chintamani Panigrahi: Will the Minister of Defence be pleased to state:

(a) whether it has been decided to start a Naval Training Institute at Paradeep Port in Orissa;

(b) if so, when it is to be started;

(c) the amount of money estimated to be spent thereon; and

(d) whether work has started on the project?

The Minister of Defence (Shri Swaran Singh): (a) A proposal is under consideration for shifting an existing naval training establishment to Paradeep.

(b) to (d). Do not arise

Announcements from A.I.R., Madras

50. Shri S. K. Sambandhan: Will the Minister of Information and Broadcasting be pleased to state:

(a) whether any representation from the people of the Madras State has been received requesting Government to direct the All India Radio to announce "VANOLI" in place of "AKASHVANI"; and

(b) if so, the action taken thereon?

The Minister of Information and Broadcasting (Shri K. K. Shah): (a) and (b). There is a demand by a section of the people in Madras State for changing the name 'Akashvani'

into the Tamil word 'Vanoli'. The term 'Akashvani' is the standard Indian language equivalent to the term All India Radio and is used in all Indian language broadcasts. This was formerly the call sign in Kannada of the former Mysore radio. Government have no objection to the use of any other word to connote 'radio' which may be current in the regional language for regional or local purposes and instructions already exist in this regard. Accordingly, the word 'Vanoli' is being used by the Tiruchi and Madras stations of All India Radio wherever appropriate in their announcements.

Payment of Pensions to Defence Personnel in Sterling

51. Shri A. K. Gopalan: Will the Minister of Defence be pleased to state:

(a) the total number of Defence personnel at present who are receiving pensions in sterling;

(b) the total amount involved in these pensions during 1965-66;

(c) whether Government have agreed to make payment for these pensions in the new rate of exchange after devaluation; and

(d) if so, the additional cost of payment per year consequent to this decision?

The Minister of Defence (Shri Swaran Singh): (a) 341.

(b) Rs. 10 65 lakhs, approximately

(c) Government have decided that, in the case of the Defence Services officers and personnel who were entitled to pension in Pounds sterling and in whose cases pension was actually sanctioned in pounds sterling prior to the orders issued on 30th April, 1957, the pensions will be paid by converting the authorised amount of pension expressed in sterling at the new rate of exchange after devaluation.