

CONGRATULATORY MESSAGES RECEIVED
FROM PAKISTAN

2921. SHRI MRITYUNJAY PRASAD : Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state :

(a) whether any message of congratulations was sent to India by Pakistan on the completion of big dams in India;

(b) if so, when and on which occasions;

(c) whether Government hold any celebrations on the completion of dams and whether invitations were sent to Pakistan to participate in it; and

(d) if so, when and on which occasions ?

THE PRIME MINISTER, MINISTER OF ATOMIC ENERGY, MINISTER OF PLANNING AND MINISTER OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRIMATI INDIRA GANDHI) : (a) No Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

(c) The Government hold celebrations on completion of dams. No invitation was sent to the Government of Pakistan on such occasions.

(d) Does not arise.

RELEASE OF FILM "FARZ" AND "AROUND THE WORLD"

2922. SHRI B. K. DASCHOWDHURY : Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that the Film Board of Censors has released the following films produced in India for exhibition (i) Farz, (ii) Around the World, (iii) Jewel Thief, (iv) Aman, (v) Pyar Mohabbat, (vi) An Evening in Paris and (vii) Amne-Samne;

(b) if so, the names and States where these films have been exhibited so far;

(c) whether these films contain obscene and indecent scenes; and

(d) whether Government propose to ban the screening of such movies ?

THE MINISTER OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (SHRI K. K.

SHAH) : (a) Yes, Sir. These Films have been certified by the Central Board of Film Censors for public exhibition.

(b) The names of the States where these films have been exhibited are as follows :—

<i>Title of the Film</i>	<i>States in which released</i>
1. Around the World	All States.
2. Jewel Thief	Maharashtra, West Bengal, Punjab, Madhya Pradesh.
3. Aman	All States except Madras.
4. Pyar Mohabbat	All States except Andhra Pradesh, Mysore and Kerala.
5. Amne Samne	All States except Kerala and Andhra Pradesh.
6. An Evening in Paris	Not released anywhere as yet.
7. Farz	Maharashtra, West Bengal, Delhi, Uttar Pradesh, Madhya Pradesh and Punjab.

(c) No, Sir, not in the judgement of the Central Board of Film Censors.

(d) Does not arise.

A.I.R. STATION BHADRAVATI AND GULBARGA

2923. SHRI G. Y. KRISHNAN : Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state :

(a) whether any decision has been taken on the proposal to convert the existing relay stations at Bhadravati and Gulbarga as programme production centres; and

(b) when the broadcasting stations at Mangalore and Mercara will start functioning ?

THE MINISTER OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (SHRI K. K. SHAH) : (a) and (b). The schemes for converting the existing relay stations at Bhadravati and Gulbarga into programme production centres and for setting up broadcasting stations at Mangalore and Mercara will be taken up for implementation when the requisite resources and foreign exchange become available. It is, therefore, not possible to state when these schemes will materialise.