

in the public sector in Manipur in view of its total lack of industries and the absence of railway facilities;

(b) if so, details thereof; and

(c) if not, whether Government propose to make a survey of the unique situation in the said region ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY AND IN THE DEPARTMENTS OF OCEAN DEVELOPMENTS, ATOMIC ENERGY, ELECTRONICS AND SPACE (SHRI SHIVRAJ V. PATIL) : (a) At the present, Government has no proposal to set up electronics industries in the Public Sector in Manipur.

(b) Does not arise.

(c) Yes Sir. Senior officials of Department of Electronics visited Manipur for this purpose. The Department of Electronics is also planning to depute a team of experts to Imphal so as to identify the electronics products which can be manufactured within the State.

#### Emission of Sulphur Dioxide

457. SHRI MANIK REDDY : Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state :

(a) whether total sulphur dioxide emissions has increased almost 3 times since 1966 and if so, corrective steps proposed; and

(b) whether there are any important projects to meet the situation as in Sweden (Surya-Jan '86) ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS (SHRI Z. R. ANSARI) : (a) It is estimated that the total sulphur dioxide emissions in the country increased from 1.38 million tonnes in 1966 to 3.20 million tonnes in 1979. However, unlike the situation as in Sweden, there is no evidence of acid rain problems in the country as recorded through meteorological observatories.

(b) Does not arise.

#### Environmental Guidelines for Safety of Citizens

458. PROF. SAIFUDDIN SOZ : Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state :

(a) whether there are any environmental guidelines for safety of citizens;

(b) if so, when these guidelines were framed; and

(c) the institutions to which these guidelines were circulated ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS (SHRI Z. R. ANSARI) : (a) to (c). No specific guidelines for safety of citizens have yet been framed. Guidelines have been drawn up relating to siting of industries and environmental assessment of other development projects like mining, hydel and thermal power, river valley projects, etc. The Bombay Chamber of Commerce and Industries has prepared a booklet "MARGDASHIKA—PROTECTION AGAINST GAS LEAKAGE", which gives the DOs and DONTs in the case of leakage of such gases as Chlorine, Ammonia and Sulphur Dioxide.

#### Opening of Recruitment Centre at Gorakhpur

459. SHRI MADAN PANDEY : Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state :

(a) whether any request for opening a recruiting Centre at Gorakhpur (U. P.) has been received by Government; and

(b) if so, whether Government are considering to open a centre for recruitment for all the three wings of the Defence Services ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF DEFENCE RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT (SHRI ARUN SINGH) : (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The Recruiting Centre when opened will cater for the Army and the Navy.

#### Amendment to Forest Conservation Act, 1980

460. SHRI K. MOHAN DAS : Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state ;