- (b) whether thousands of small scale industrial units are becoming sick due to the suspension of allotment and supply of paper at subsidised rates; and
- (c) if so, the action being taken by the Government in regard thereto?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE PRIME MINISTER'S OFFICE (SHRI KA-MAL MORARKA): (a) to (c). Hindustan Paper Corporation Ltd. (HPC) and received an advance of only Rs. 3.20 crores during 1989-90 from small scale industrial units (Exercise Notebook Manufacturers). Against these advances HPC has been able to make about 45% supplies. HPC has been instructed either to make supplies or return the balance advances as per terms of the contract. Although the subsidy scheme of the Government of India ended on 31.3.1990, HPC has maintained supply of paper to the education sector during 1990-91 at mutually agreed concessional rates. The matter regarding fresh allocations and rates of supply is under consideration of the Education Department.

[English]

Inclusion of Males of Pardhi Community in Scheduled Tribes List

1323. PROF. MAHADEO SHIVANKAR: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the males in the Pardhi Community in Andhra Pradesh are classified in the list of Backward Classes and the females (Pardhan) are classified in the list of Scheduled Tribes;
- (b) whether due to this discrimination the males in the Pardhi community are deprived of the benefits available to the Scheduled Tribes; and
 - (c) if so, whether the Government have

any proposal to include the males in the Pardhi community in the Scheduled Tribes list; if so, the steps taken/being taken in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF LABOUR AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF WELFARE (SHRI RAMJI LAL SUMAN): (a) No, Sir. Pardhan community (both males and females) in included is the list of Scheduled Tribes in relations to the State of Andhra Pradesh.

(b) and (c). Do not arise.

Fifty Eighth Anniversary of IAF

1324. SHRI PRATAPRAO B. BHOSALE: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

- (a) whether 58th Anniversary of Indian Air Force was celebrated in the country;
- (b) if so, the details of the celebrations to mark this day;
- (c) whether the Government propose to take some steps to make the IAF one of the best forces in the world; and
 - (d) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF DEFENCE (SHRI LALIT VIJOY SINGH): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) (i) The celebrations in Delhi started with the Chiefs of the three Defence Services paying homage at the Amar Jawan Jyoti Memorial. The Chief of the Air Staff took the salute at a Ceremonial-cum-Investiture Parade at Air Force Station Palam when 51 Officers and Airmen were

presented Presidential Awards.

- (ii) All Service personnel were administered the oath reaffirming allegiance to the Constitution of India and loyal obedience of the orders of the President and Supreme Commander of the Armed Forces.
- (iii) Officers and Airmen also joined in a Bara-Khana (Lunch).
- (iv) Ceremonies as at (ii) and (iii) above were organised at all Air Force Stations throughout the country.
- (c) The effort to make the IAF one of the best forces is an on going process and is linked to perceived threats and resource availability.
- (d) It is not in public interest to give the details.

International Conference on Computer Communication

1325. SHRI PRATAPRAO B. BHOSALE: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

- (a) whether any International Conference on Computer Communications was held at New Delhi during November, 1990;
 - (b) if so, the details thereof;
 - (c) the countries which participated in it;
- (d) the matters discussed in the Conference; and

(e) the steps taken to implement them?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE. PRIME MINISTER'S OFFICE (SHRI KA-MAL MORARKA): (a) to (c). yes, Sir. Tenth International Conference on Computer Communication (ICCC 90) was held in New Delhi during 4-9 November, 1990 and was hosted jointly by Department of Electronics and Department of Telecommunications. Delegates from both advanced and developing countries with varying backgrounds. ranging from academia, industry, R&D institutions. Government and socio-economic development planners participated and exchanged their experiences and perceptions. The list of countries from where delegates participated in the Conference is given in the statement I below.

- (d) The list of topics covered in the Conference are given in Statement II below.
- (e) No specific recommendations were listed as part of the Conference. However, the Conference itself was of immense value to the Indian delegates both in presenting the work (through papers and technical visits) that is being done in India in the field as well as in assimilating state-of-art developments and experiences of other countries world-wide.

STATEMENT-I

List of countries from whom delegates participated in ICCC 90

- 1. Afghanistan
- 2. Antigua
- 3. Australia
- 4. Austria
- 5. Bahamas