Demand and Supply of Cotton

5614. SHRI BALWANT MANVAR: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

- (a) the estimated cotton output and demand during 1989-90;
- (b) the projected estimates of output of cotton and demand by the end of Eighth Plan and by 2000 AD;
- (c) how much land would be required for cotton cultivation to meet the demand; and
- (d) the action Government propose to take to meet the gap between Demand and Supply?

THE DEPUTY PRIME MINISTER AND MINISTER OF AGRICULTURE (SHRIDEVI LAL): (a) The demand and output of cotton were projected at 95 lakhs bales by the end of the Seventh Plan i.e. 1989-90. The final estimates of cotton production during 1989-90 have not yet been finalised. However, it is likely to be over 105 lakhs bales.

- (b) The projected estimates of output of cotton and demand by the end of Eighth Plan and by 2000 AD have not yet been determined.
- (c) and (d). It is envisaged to meet the demand of cotton by increasing the productivity per hectare without resorting to large scale area expansion under cotton cultivation. For this, research and developmental efforts would be accelerated to meet the demand of cotton.

[Translation]

Arrests in Delhi for Prostitution

5615. SHRI HARISH RAWAT: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

- (a) the number of arrests made so far in Delhi this year for prostitution; and
- (b) the details of those arrested from Five-Star and other hotels?

THE MINISTER OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI MUFTI MOHAMMAD SAYEED): (a) 185.

(b) 3 males and 5 females were arrested from Five Star and other hotels.

Commemorative Postal Stamp on Babu Kunwar Singh

5616. SHRI JANARDAN TIWARI: Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Government propose to bring out a commemorative postal stamps on Babh Kunwar Singh, a great freedom fighter of Bihar; and
 - (b) if so, when?

THE MINISTER OF SURFACE TRANS-PORT AND MINISTER OF COMMUNICA-TIONS (SHRI K.P.UNNIKRISHNAN): (a) and (b). No. Sir.

A commemorative postage stamps on this great freedom fighter has already been issued on 23.4.66. Generally, not more than one stamp on a personality is issued.

Bomb Blasts in Delhi

5617. SHRI JANARDAN TIWARI: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state: