

Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Unit Trust of India has been advertising about its programmes in Tamil Nadu newspapers; and

(b) the expenditure incurred on these advertisements during the year 1986-87 ?

THE MINISTER OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI BRAHMA DUTT): (a) Yes, Sir,

(b) Unit Trust of India has incurred Rs. 11.33 lakhs on advertisements in Newspapers/magazines in Tamil Nadu from 1.7.86 till date.

**Centre for Advanced Technology  
at Indore**

8404. SHRI MOHANBHAI PATEL: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government propose to set up a Centre for Advanced Technology at Indore;

(b) when it is likely to be established and the approximate cost involved; and

(c) the details of research work likely to be taken up at this Centre?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENTS OF OCEAN DEVELOPMENT ATOMIC ENERGY, ELECTRONICS AND SPACE (SHRI K.R. NARAYANAN): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The project estimated to cost Rs. 62.66 crores is expected to be completed during the early part of the VIIIth Plan.

(c) Research on advanced lasers and accelerators will be undertaken at this Centre.

**Adoption of Villages in H.P.  
for Rural Development by  
Nationalised Banks**

8405. PROF. NARAIN CHAND PARASHAR: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to refer to the reply given to Starred Question No. 469 on 23 August, 1985 regarding adoption of villages for rural development by nationalised banks and state:

(a) the names of the villages adopted by each of the nationalised banks as also the State Bank of India and its affiliates in Himachal Pradesh, district-wise during the last three years and the facilities given to these villages;

(b) if so, the names of those villages which have been selected for adoption during 1987-88; and

(c) if no village has been selected so far, the likely date by which the selection would be made and the procedure for adoption?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI JANARDHANA POOJARY): (a) to (c). Details of number of villages adopted in Himachal Pradesh under the Village Adoption Scheme by the public sector banks during the last three years and the amount outstanding in the loan accounts serviced in these villages are indicated below:

Period	No. of villages adopted	Amount outstanding (Rs. in Lakhs)
1	2	3
July 1982	2871	As at the end of June 1983
June 1983		
July 1983	4188	As at the end of June 1984
June 1984		

1	2	3
July 1984	4131	As at the end of June 1985
June 1985		

Information regarding the names of villages adopted is not readily available.

Public sector banks adopt villages with the intention of doing intensive lending in the area and to take special interest in the development of the village. Assistance is provided for all viable activities suitable for the area including guidance for the formulation of bankable schemes. The main objective is to promote integrated development of the village economy and encourage schematic lending instead of scattered lending.

The banks do not have a system of yearwise projection of the number of villages to be adopted. Hence the details of the villages that may be adopted by the banks during 1987-88 are not available at present.

#### Incentives to Electronic Industry

8406. SHRI H.B. PATIL: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are aware that the inhibiting factor to the growth of electronics industry is the requirement of large working capital disproportionate to the fixed assets, like land, building and machinery;

(b) whether Government propose to extend concessions like lower interest rate, subsidy and security margin to the working capital invested in the electronics industry?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENTS OF OCEAN DEVELOPMENT, ATOMIC ENERGY, ELECTRONICS AND SPACE (SHRI K.R. NARAYANAN): (a) Yes, Sir. This is mainly true for assembly oriented products

for consumer markets.

(b) There is no specific proposal on concessions being considered by the Government.

#### Linkages in Science and Technology Programmes for Implementation of Seventh Plan Schemes

8407. SHRI LAKSHMAN MALLICK: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government propose to effect some structural changes to establish linkages in science and technology programmes for effective implementation of the Seventh Plan Schemes;

(b) if so, the details of the proposal, and

(c) whether all the State Governments have been asked by the Planning Commission to set up independent department of science and technology?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENTS OF OCEAN DEVELOPMENT, ATOMIC ENERGY, ELECTRONICS AND SPACE (SHRI K.R. NARAYANAN): (a) and (b). To give necessary thrust to major areas of science and technology such as Environment, Ocean Development and Non-Conventional Sources of Energy, new scientific departments were established during the Sixth Plan. Further during the 7th Plan Department of Scientific and Industrial Research and Department of Biotechnology have been set up.