Reprocessing Plant at Tarapur

469. SHRI S. R. DAMANI : Will the Minister of ATOMIC ENERGY be pleased to State :

- (a) whether the newly built reprocessing plant at Tarapur has started processing of spent fuels;
- (b) if so, how much of the spent fuels which the U. S. Government has a right to claim back, have been processed:
- (c) how much of the spent fuels have been so far claimed by the U. S. Government and sent back; and
- (d) the method of disposal of the remainder?

THE PRIME MINISTER (SHRI MORARJI DESAI): (a) Yes, Sir.

- (b) spent fuel of US origin has not been reprocessed.
- (c) and (d). No quantity has been claimed. The full quantity is being stored.

Setting up of a Working Group for Converting Akashvani and Doordarshan into Autonomous Institutions,

- 470. SHRI S. G. MURUGAIYAN: Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:
- (a) whether a working group has been set up to study the question of converting Akashvani and Doordarshan into autonomous institutions;
- (b) if so, whether this group has completed its study and submitted its report;
 - (c) if so, the details; and
 - (d) if not, when the report is expected?

THE MINISTER OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (SHRI L. K. ADVANI) (a) Yes, Sir.

- (b) No, Sir.
- (c) and (d) The Group may submit its report by February, 1978.

स्वाधीनता सेनानियों को पेंशन मंजूर किया जाना

- 471. भी रीतलाल प्रसाद वर्मा: क्या गृह मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि:
- (क) कितने स्वाधीनता सेनानियों से पेंशन की स्वीकृति के लिए बावेदन-पत्न प्राप्त हुए हैं श्रीर कितने स्वाधीनता सेनानियों को मासिक पेंशन मिल रही है;
- (ख) स्वाधीनता सेनानी पेंशनरों की राज्यवार संख्या कितनी है;
- (ग) क्या बिहार में दो जाली 'पतों पर एक ही स्वाधीनता सेनानी द्वारा पेंशन प्राप्त करने के कुछ मामलों ग्रीर भूतपूर्व कांग्रेस संसद सदस्यों से जेल की सजा कें झूठे प्रमाण-पत्न प्राप्त करके पेंशन प्राप्त करने के मामले प्रकाश में ग्राये हैं; ग्रीर
- (घ) क्या स्वाधीनता सेनानी पेंशन कार्यकम में भ्रष्टाचार ग्रौर पेंशन के जाली मामलों के बारे में एक उच्चस्तरीय समिति के माध्यम से जांच कराने का सरकार का विचार है ग्रौर यदि हां, तो कब तक ग्रौर यदि नहीं, तो इसके क्या कारण हैं?
- गृह मंत्रालय में राज्य मंत्री (श्री विनिक्त लाल मण्डल): (π) और (ϖ) . स्वतंत्रता सेनानियों को पेंशन की मंजूरी के लिए 31—10—77 तक 2,47,314 आवेदन-पत्न प्राप्त हो चुके हैं। 1,16,088 मामलों में पेंशन स्वीकृत की जा चुकी है। राज्यवार व्यौरे का एक विवरण सभा पटल पर रख दिया गया है। शिलाये संख्या LT1055/77
- (ग) बिहार में एक ही स्वतंत्रता सेनानी द्वारा दी जाली पतों पर पेशनें प्राप्त करने का कोई मामला नोटिस में नहीं ग्राया है। तथापि 19 व्यक्तियों के खिलाफ शिकायतें प्राप्त हुई हैं जिन्हें छह भूतपूर्व कांग्रेसी संसद् सदस्यों

द्वारा जारी किए गए सह-वंदी प्रामणपत्नों के ब्राधार पर पेंशन मंजूर की गई है। इनमें से चार मामलों में जांच हो जाने तक पेंशन रोक दी गई है, लेकिन शेष मामलों में पेंशन नहीं रोकी गई है क्योंकि इन मामलों में राज्य सरकार ने पेंशन की मंजूरी के लिए सिफारिश की थी।

(घ) जारी की गई मंजूरियों (1,16,088) की तुलना में घव तक प्राप्त किकायतों की संस्था (6,494) कम है। राज्य सरकारों से शिकायतों की जांच करवाने की मौजूदा व्यवस्था पर्याप्त समझी जाती है। इसलिए, ऐसे मामलों की जांच करने के लिए उच्चस्तरीय समिति गठित किए जाने का इस समय कोई प्रस्ताव नहीं है।

Export of More Indian Films to Pakistan

472. SHRI EBRAHIM SULAIMAN SAIT: Will the Minister of INFORMA-TION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Government have recently received a request from the Government of Pakistan for the export of more Indian films to that country; and
 - (b) if so, the action taken thereon?

THE MINISTER OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (SHRI L. K. ADVANI): (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

Defective Manufacturing of Ferguson Tractors

473. SHRI DARUR PULLAIAH: Will the Minister of INDUSTRY be pleased to State:

- (a) whether Government are aware of defective manufacturing of Ferguson Tractors particularly IMT 533 regarding the Crown Wheel and Pinions; and
- (b) if so, what steps Government propose to take to rectify the defects?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY (KUMARI ABHA MAITI): (a) and (b): Massey Ferguson-(MF-1035) tractors are being

manufactured in the country whereas IMT-533 tractors were imported in the past. Complaints of the failure of Crown Wheel and Pinions of imported (IMT) tractors were received. The defects were rectified by replacing those components with indigenous gears.

Strike by Rajasthan Atomic Power Project Workers

- 475. SHRI DINEN BHATTACHAR-YYA: Will the Minister of ATOMIC ENERGY be pleased to State:
- (a) whether the Rajasthan Atomic Power project workers went on strike from 8th September, 1977;
 - (b) the demends of the workers;
- (c) whether Government refused to negotiate with the representatives of workers during the strike; and
 - (d) the reasons thereof?

THE PRIME MINISTER (SHRI MO-RARJI DESAI): (a) Yes, Sir.

- (b) The charter of demands submitted by a Sangharsh Samiti (Action Committee) consisting of representatives of the Rajasthan Anushakti Pariyojana Karmchari Sangh, the recognised Union and the Rajasthan Anushakti Karmchari Union, an unrecognised body, are listed in the Statement attached. [Placed in the library-See No. LT- 1056/77]
- (c) and (d). The Sangharsh Samiti is not a recognised body. Discussions had been held earlier with the recognised Union, the Rajasthan Anushakti Pariyojana Karmchari Sangh-on the Charter of Demands submitted by it, which in-cluded the nine demands later put up by the Sangharsh Samiti. The Assistant Labour Commissioner (Central) Kota held conciliation proceedings on the demands of Sangharsh Samiti which, however, resulted in failure as most of the demands put forth by the strikers are unreasonable and beyond what is permissible under the Government orders. Moreover, as the Strike is illegal, the stand of Department is that this illegal strike should be called off unconditionally before further discussions can be held with the recognised Union.

Monthly Income of D. T. C.

- 476. DR. MURLI MANOHAR JOSHI: Will the Minister of SHIPPING AND TRANSPORT be pleased to state:
- (a) the monthly income of DTC during April, 1977 to August, 1977;