

	1	2
10	Orissa	1
11	Pondicherry	1
12	Punjab	4
13	Rajasthan	8
14	Tamil Nadu	18
15	Uttar Pradesh	17
16	West Bengal	14
	Total	107

Indian Space Scientists Abroad

1681. SHRI N. E. HORO: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) the number of Indian scientists specialising in space research recruited from abroad during the last three years and the countries where they were working; and

(b) the number of them who have again gone to settle abroad?

THE PRIME MINISTER (SHRI-MATI INDIRA GANDHI): (a) Six Scientists/Engineers in the Indian Space Research Organisation and eight Scientists in the Physical Research Laboratory, an Institution mainly supported by the Department of Space, have been recruited from abroad during the last three years. The countries where they were working are as under:—

(i)	U.S.A.	9
(ii)	France	1
(iii)	U.K.	2
(iv)	U.S.S.R.	1
(v)	East Africa	1
(b)	Two.

Taking over of Industries in Tamil Nadu

1682. SHRI D. S. A. SIVAPRAKASAM: Will the Minister of INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) whether any industrial undertaking or undertakings has/have been taken over in the State of Tamil Nadu during the years 1975—79 by the Central Government under Section 18AA

of Section 18FA or Section 18A of the Industries (Development & Regulation) Act, 1951;

(b) if so, the total number of industrial undertakings;

(c) nature of the undertakings; and

(d) the present position of the undertakings?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY (SHRI CHARANJIT CHANANA): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) Two.

(c) Both are cotton textile undertakings?

(d) The Tamil Nadu Textile Corporation are managing these as "Authorised Person" under Section 18AA of the Industries (Development and Regulation) Act, 1951, for the durations indicated below:

(i) Cauvery Spinning & Weaving Mills Ltd., Pudukottai from 23-12-76 to 22-12-1981.

(ii) Somasundaram Super Spinning Mills, Muthanendal, District Ramanathapuram from 4-11-1977 to 3-11-1982.

Five Days Working Week in Government Offices

1683. SHRI MANPHOOL SINGH: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are considering a proposal to have a five days working week in the Central Government offices with a view to saving petrol and diesel which are already in short supply;

(b) if so, whether the daily office hours would also be correspondingly increased; and

(c) by what time a decision is likely to be taken in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS AND DEPARTMENT OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS (SHRI P. VEN-