

### Distribution of Plan Budget to Districts in Ladakh

6968. SHRI P. NAMGYAL: Will the Minister of PLANNING be pleased to state:

(a) the criteria fixed for distribution of Plan Budget to different states in India;

(b) whether it is a fact that distribution of Plan Budget to different districts in the Ladakh region of J & K. State is made purely on the basis of population;

(c) if reply to (b) above be in the affirmative, reasons for not considering other criterion like vastness of area, higher freight charges, high altitude, high cost of living, backwardness of the people and other poor economical conditions;

(d) whether a statement showing years-wise allocations made for Leh and Kargil districts separately for the financial year 1979-80 and 1980-81 be placed on the Table of the House; and

(e) what remedial measures the Government of India propose to take to redress the long standing complaints of people of the Leh district to have a fair share and to change the criteria for distribution of Plan allocations?

THE MINISTER OF PLANNING (SHRI N. D. TIWARI): (a) The Planning Commission does not fix criteria for the distribution of Plan Budget to different States in India. It only allocates Central assistance according to formulae approved by the National Development Council.

(b) and (c) The State Government has been approached to indicate the basis of distribution of Plan outlays between the different districts of Ladakh region. The information will be supplied on receipt of the State Government's reply.

(d) The require statement is placed on the Table of the House

(e) In view of answer to (b) and (c) the question is premature.

### Statement

#### Approved Outlay for Ladhak Region

(Rs. in Lakhs)

Distt.	Approved outlay	
	1979-80	1980-81
1. Leh . . . .	401.12	450.00
2. Kargil . . . .	285.88	290.00

### Increase in Prices of Films by Hindustan Photo Films Company

6969. SHRI D. S. A. SIVAPRAKASAM: Will the Minister of INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Hindustan Photo Films Company has increased the prices of Geva Orwo Colour Positive;

(b) if so, the reasons for increasing the prices;

(c) whether any representation has been made to Government by the South Indian Film Chamber on this point; and

(d) if so, the action taken by Government on the representation?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY (SHRI CHARANJIT CHANANA): (a) to (d). Hindustan Photo Films Manufacturing Co. Ltd., (HPF) have recently increased the price of cine colour positive films and a representation against this has been received from the South Indian Film Chamber. However, the price increase effected by HPF in respect of cine colour positive film is the subject matter of writ petitions filed in Madras High Court and is sub judice at present. It would, therefore, not be appropriate at this stage to indicate further details.