

(b) Under the existing arrangement at Delhi, lessons directly related to School curricula are telecast both in the morning and in the afternoon. The subjects covered include Physics, Chemistry, English, Social Studies and Mathematics. These are intended to supplement class-room instruction.

(c) and (d). 150 Teleclubs have been formed in Delhi for community viewing where sets have been installed. The places include Workers' Education Centres, Hospitals and localities where the poorer sections of the population live.

#### Death of a Bank employee in Hooghly District

7695. SHRI MANORANJAN HAZRA : Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state :

(a) whether Shri Sudhakar Chaudhury, a Bank employee was stabbed to death by some miscreants at Bansbria, Hooghly District (West Bengal) ;

(b) if so, the particulars thereof : and

(c) the steps taken by Government to apprehend the culprits ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI K. C. PANT) : (a) to (c). According to the available information, on the 9th July, 1971, one Shri Sudhakar Chounhury of Kudrani Road, Bausberia (Hooghly) was stabbed to death by some miscreants suspected to be Naxalites. The police have registered a case and arrested five suspects. Investigations are in progress.

#### Manufacture of Transmitters through the Co-operative Efforts of Unemployed Engineers

7696. SHRI DAMODAR PANDEY : Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state :

(a) whether her Ministry is importing transmitters worth Rs. 5 crores per annum from foreign countries ;

(b) whether the unemployed Engineers in our country are competent to manufacture various parts of the transmitter individually and the whole set collectively ; and

(c) if so, whether the Government are contemplating to get these sets manufac-

ured in the country by the co-operative efforts of the unemployed Engineers ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI K. C. PANT) (a) No, Sir.

(b) and (c). It is the well established policy of the Government of India to utilise the technical skill available in the country and to promote the indigenous manufacture of wireless equipment etc. to the maximum extent.

#### Manufacturing of Revolvers for Civilian

7697. SHRI DAMODAR PANDEY : Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state :

(a) whether the Revolvers for civilian use are not manufactured in the country and huge foreign exchange is spent on their import ; and

(b) if so, what steps Government are taking to have such revolvers manufactured in the country ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS AND IN THE DEPARTMENT OF PERSONNEL (SHRI RAM NIWAS MIRDHA) : (a) Till March, 1971, import of arms, including revolvers, was not allowed but persons were allowed to import revolvers either as part of their baggage or under the gift scheme. In view of the hardship caused to the public owing to non-manufacture of pistol/revolvers in the country, licences for a small quota costing approximately Rs. 4 lakhs have been issued to established importers during the licensing period April, 1971—March, 1972.

(b) It is proposed to manufacture .32 pistols for civilian use in ordnance factories.

#### Government take over of Advertising Agencies

7691. SHRI VAYALAR RAVI : Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state :

(a) whether there is any proposal before Government to take over the advertising agencies of the country in order to keep the ratio of proportion of the distribution of advertisements ; and