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Electronics Commission plans to identify specific areas where massive R and D efforts should be carried out.

Written Answers

Production of Documentary Films at Calcutta Studios

2906. SHRI PRIYA RANJAN DAS MUNSI: Will the Minister INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:

- (a) why the Documentary Films of the Central Government are not being produced from the Calcutta studios; and
 - (b) if so, the reasons therefor?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (SHRI DHARAM BIR SINHA): (a) Some documentary films of assigned to film Films Division are producers of Calcutta.

(b) Does not arise.

Obscene Posters and Films

2907. SHRI PRIYA RANJAN DAS MUNSI: Will the Minister of INFORMA-TION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state the specific suggestions or plans of his Ministry for the Film Censors Board in regard to obscene posters and films?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (SHRI DHARAM BIR SINHA): Exhibition of obscene films is prohibited under the Cinematograph Act, 1952. Censorship of posters fails outside the purview of this Act. State Government and municipal authorities have, however, ample powers to take action against obscene film posters under Section 292 of the Indian Penal Code and other local laws. The attention of all State Governments and Governments of Union Territories has been drawn to this matter with a request to keep a strict watch on display of obscene film posters.

Constitution of Film Development Board

2908. SHRI PRIYA RANJAN DAS MUNSI: Will the Minister of INFORMA-TION AND BROADCASTING be pleased

(a) whether a Film Development Board

is proposed to be formed for the general development of Bengali, Tamil, Assames, Oriya and Hindi films; and

(b) if so, when?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (SHRI DHARAM BIR SINHA): (a) and (b). Central Government are not aware of any proposal to set up a Film Development Board for general development of Bengali, Tamil, Assimese, Oriya and Hindi films. West Bengal Government had, however, appointed a State Film Consultative Committee in June, 1969. The Committee had recommended, interalia, the setting up of a statutory Film Development Board for improving film industry in the State. This recommendation is presently under consideration of West Bengal Government.

Utilization of Atomic Energy for Human Welfare

2909. SHRI PRIYA RANJAN DAS MUNSI: Will the Minister of ATOMIC ENERGY be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Government have any plan to utilise atomic energy for human welfare; and
- (b) if so, the main features of the plan?

THE PRIME MINISTER, MINISTER OF ATOMIC ENERGY, MINISTER OF HOME AFFAIRS AND MINISTER OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (SHRIMATI INDIRA GANDHI): (a) Yes, Sir. Details are available in the document entitled "Atomic Energy and Research-A Profile for the decade 1970-80" copies of which are available in the Parliament Library.

(b) The plan for the current decade envisages the addition of 2300 MWe of electric power from atomic power stations under construction and to be established in various parts of the country.

The plan for the utilization of radioisotopes and radiations in the field of agriculture and industry envisages the setting up of irradiators for (a) grain disinfestatio n (b) treatment of food items such as onion s. potatoes, fish, etc., for extending their she if life (c) sterilisation of medical products, and

(d) industrial applications such as manufacture of word/plastic products. In the field of medicine, it is planned to establish a number of Radiation Medicine Centres and small Isotope Laboratories in different parts of the country for extending the benefits of nuclear medicine to as wide a cross-section of the population as possible.

Expenses on Bhabha Atomic Research Centre

2910. SHRI PRIYA RANJAN DAS MUNSI: Will the Minister of ATOMIC ENERGY be pleased to state:

- (a) the actual expenses on the Bhabha Atomic Research Centre; and
- (b) what are the provisions as regards allocation of seats in the said Centre to the States of India?

THE PRIME MINISTER, MINISTER OF ATOMIC ENERGY, MINISTER OF HOME AFFAIARS AND MINISTER OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (SHRIMATI INDIRA GANDHI): (a) The actual expenses on the running of the Bhabha Atomic Research Centre for the year 1970-71 amounted to Rs. 11.83 crores.

(b) The Bhabha Atomic Research Centre is the national centre for research and development in the field of atomic energy. Recruitment to the various posts in the Centre is made on an all-India basis. The question of allocation of seats does not therefore, arise.

Rules Governing Recruitment of Mussiffs and Seniority of Mysore Government Employees

2912. SHRI TEJA SINGH SWATAN-TRA: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

- (a) whether there are any rules governing the recruitment of Munsiffs and the seniority of Government servants in Mysore; and
- (b) if so, whether the copies of these rules would be laid on the Table of the House?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS AND IN THE DEPARTMENT OF PERSONNEL (SHRI RAM NIWAS MIRDHA): (a) and

(b). The requisite information has been called for from the Government of Mysore and will be placed on the Table of the House as early as possible.

Written Answers

Suspension of Employees in Mysore

- 2913. SHRI TEJA SINGH SWATAN-TRA: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:
- (a) the number of Government employees in the Mysore State placed under suspension in 1965 for violation of Rule (5) of the Conduct Rules at Mysore State Employees;
- (b) whether the said Rule (5) was challanged in the Mysore High Court and later Government appealed in the Supreme Court:
- (c) what were the main points of judgements of the two courts; and
- (d) the steps taken by Government in the light of those judgements?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS AND IN THE DEPARTMENT OF PERSONEL (SHRI RAM NIWAS MIRDHA): (a) to (d). The information is being collected from the Government of Mysore and will be placed on the Table of the House when received

Reconstitution of Programme Advisory Committees of A.I.R.

2914. SHRI MUHAMMFD SHERIFF: Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Government have decided to reconstitute the Programme Advisory Committees attached to All India Radio Stations in the country; and
 - (b) if so, the reasons therefor?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (SHRI DHARAM BIR SINHA): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) To make them more representative of the various interests to be reflected in the programmes broadcast from All India Radio.