Accelerated Development of Nuclear Power

4092. SHRI M. KATHAMUTHU: Will the Minister of ATOMIC ENERGY be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Atomic Commission Chairman has stated recently that the solution of the fuel resources problem in India lies in accelerated development of nuclear power:
- (b) if so, whether any steps have been taken for accelerated development of nuclear power in the country; and
- (c) the main features of the schemes for the development of nuclear power proposed to be included in the Fifth Five Year Plan?

THE PRIME MINISTER, MINISTER OF ATOMIC ENERGY, MINISTER OF ELECTRONICS, MINISTER OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING AND MINISTER OF SPACE (SHRIMATI INDIRA GANDHI): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) and (c). All possible steps are being taken. The Fifth Plan proposals of the Department of Atomic Energy are under formulation.

Scientific and Technological Cooperation Agreements with Foreign Countries

4094. SHRI M. KATHAMUTHU. Will the Minister of SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY be pleased to state:

- (a) with how many countries India has entered into scientific and technological co-operations agreements;
- (b) the main features of these agreements:
- (c) how many scientific delegations from foreign countries have visited India in the last two years; and
 - (d) the results of these visits?

THE MINISTER OF INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT AND SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY (SHRI C. SUBRAMANIAM); (a) to (d). The information is being collected from various Departments/Organisations concerned with the subject. Detailed reply will be laid on the Table of the House as early as possible.

Proposal to set up Industries in Gujarat

4095. SHRI ARVIND M. PATEL: Will the Minister of INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT AND SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Government propose to set up more industries in Gujarat during the next three years; and
- (b) if so, the main features of the proposal?

THE MINISTER OF INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT AND SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY (SHRI C. SUBRAMANIAM). (a) and (b). While this Ministry and the Planning Commission have no proposal as such to set up industries in Gujarat during the next three years, during the years 1971 and 1972. 128 industrial licences and 200 letters of intent have been issued under Industries (D&R) Act, 1951, for the State of Gujarat. Most of these are likely to be implemented during the next 2-3 years.

Allotment of Funds for Backward Districts in Gujarat

4096. SHRI ARVIND M. PATEL: Will the Minister of INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT AND SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY be pleased to state:

- (a) the total amount allotted for the development of industries in backward districts of Gujarat State in the Fifth Plan period; and
- (b) the names of the backward districts and the amount allotted to each?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF INDUSTRIAL DEVE-LOPMENT (SHRI ZIAUR RAHMAN ANSARI): (a) and (b), Panchamahals, Kutch Amreli, Broach, Sabarkantha Banaskantha, Bhavanagar, Surendranagar and Junagadh are the backward districts in Gujarat which are eligible for concessional finance from Financial Institutions for industries started there. Of these Panchmahals, Broach and Surendranagar are, in addition, eligible for 10 per cent Central subsidy. The Fifth Five Year Plan is yet to be finalised but assistance is not sanctioned Central district-wise

Plan o! National Aeronautical Laboratory, Bangalore to Develop Computer-Based Data Acquisition and Control system for use in Aerospace and Petro-Chemical Industries

4097. SHRI BHAGWAT JHA AZAD: Will the Minister of SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the National Aeronautical Laboratory, Bangalore plan to develop computor-based data acquisition of control system for use in the aerospace and petro-chemical industries:
- (b) whether this will be done with indigenous expertise; and
- (c) whether National Aeronautical Laboratory has set up any plant for fabrication of data system and other components?

THE MINISTER OF INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT AND SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY (SHRI C. SUBRAMA-NIAM): (a) Yes, Sir.

- (b) Yes, Sir.
- (9); National Aeronautical Laboratory has in operation a Pilot Plant for designing and fabricating digital data systems Since 1968.

Proposals for Expansion of Paper Industry

- 4098. SHRI C. K. JAFFER SHA-RIEF: Will the Minister of INDUS-TRIAL. DEVELOPMENT AND SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY be pleased to state:
- (a) whether there are any proposals for expansion of the existing paper units pending with his Ministry and when they are likely to be finalised: and
- (b) what is the progress made by the Hisdustan Paper Corporation in setting up Paper plants and the programme laid down by the Corporation o this regard?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF INDUSTRIAL DEVE-LOPMENT (SHRI PRANAB KUMAR MUKHERJEE: (a) Yes, Sir.

Five proposals for substantial expansion of the existing paper are pending. Action is being taken to finalise them early.

(b) A statement is attached.

Statement

M/s. Hisdustan Paper Corporation which was set up in May, 1970 has decided to establish the following four projects .-

- pulp/paper (a) An integrated mill in Nagaland for a capa-30,000 tonnes per city of annum;
- integrated pulp/paper (b) an Mill in Assam (Nowgong District) for a capacity of 80,000 tonnes of pulp and 50,000 tonnes of paper;
- (c) a newprint mill in Kerala for a capacity of 80,000 tonnes per annum; and
- (d) an integrated pulp and paper mill m Cachar District, Assam with a capacity of 50,000 tonnes per annum (likely to be revised to 80,000 tonnes per annum).