getting up of Cement Factory in Guyama with Indian hely
6368. SHRI VIRBHADRA SINGH: Will the Minister of INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT be pleased to atate:
(a) whether Government offered Guyana Government the help for setting up a cement factory; and
(b) if so, whether any agreement has been concluded, if so, the main features thereof?

TIIE MINISTER OF INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT AND SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY (SHRI C. SUBRAMANIAM): (a) and (b) Government of Guyana have shown interent in securing ussistance from India in comection with setting up of a cement plant in that countcy. A private Indian party is in negotiation with the Government of Guyana in this regard.

## Demand from All India Radio Staff Artistes Union

6369. SHRI M. S. PURTY:

SHRI D. B. CHANDRA. GOWDA:

Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:
(a) whether any demand from the All India Radio Staff Artistes Union has been made that the Artistes be
given cadres as given to the Engineers and Administration in the Institution; and
(b) if so, the reaction of Government thereon?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (SKRI DHARAM BIR SINHA): (a) Yes, Sir.
(b) Staff Artistes of All India Radio Slueady constitute a separate cadre by virtue of their distinct character and terins and conditions of service.

Sex Ratio at Birth in Rural Area of
North India
6370. SHRI D. B. CHANDRA GOWDA: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:
(a) whether the sex ratio at kirth in the rural area of North India marks a noticeable divergence from that of the ratio in rural India as a whole;
(b) whether any study in this regard has been made; and
(c) if so, the findings thereof, Statewise?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI F. H. MOHSIN): (a) The sex ratio at birth (males per 100 females) in the rural areas of northern India is slightly higher than that of rural India as a whole.

