

क्योंकि इसकी खपत संख्या 1,000 प्रतियों से, जो निदेशालय की सूची में सम्मिलित के लिये कम से कम संख्या है, कम पाई गई।

Survey of Atomic Materials in Gopalpur Area (Orissa)

1422. SHRI CHINTAMANI PANIGRAHI: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether any survey for locating atomic materials in Gopalpur area in Orissa has been conducted;

(b) if so, with what result; and

(c) whether any action is being taken to utilise the atomic materials found in Orissa?

THE PRIME MINISTER, MINISTER OF ATOMIC ENERGY, MINISTER OF PLANNING AND MINISTER OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRIMATI INDIRA GANDHI): (a) and (b). As a result of the survey conducted in 1962-63, beach sands of this area have been found to contain monazite, ilmenite, rutile and zircon.

(c) Systematic survey of the Orissa coast is continuing and action to utilize the atomic minerals found there will be taken on evaluation of the results of the survey.

Expansion of T.V. in Rural Areas

1423. SHRI SITARAM KESRI: Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government has prepared a plan for the expansion of the Television net-work to cover the rural areas with a view to educate the villagers about modern methods of cultivation and for the purpose of spreading education.

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) how many community Television sets are there in the country at present and the population covered by them?

THE MINISTER OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (SHRI K. K. SHAH): (a) and (b). Yes, Sir. The first phase of expansion provides for the setting up of television stations in Bombay, Calcutta, Madras and Kanpur besides expansion of the Delhi T.V. centre. These stations will cover the rural areas also around them, besides providing service to the cities.

(c) 217 Community Television sets are installed in teleclubs and another 80 are installed for rural viewing groups in Delhi. Recent surveys indicate that the number of tele-club viewers ranges from 20,000 to 25,000 per programme. The programme for agriculturists is viewed by an audience of about 16,000. In addition, 548 sets are installed in Schools and these sets benefit 36,000 students through lessons in Physics and Chemistry and 96,000 students each through lessons in General Science and English.

There are 5212 domestic receiver licences in Delhi area. There are no Community receiver sets in other areas. The estimated audience on these sets, assuming 10 viewers per receiver, would be 52,120.

Television Net Work

1424. SHRI SITARAM KESRI: Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Television programme has a limited audience consisting mostly of well-to-do people; and

(b) if so, whether Government propose to curtail the maintenance expenditure of Television net-work during the next year?

THE MINISTER OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (SHRI K. K. SHAH): (a) No, Sir. The television programmes at Delhi are organised primarily for social education, education in improved agricultural methods, family planning etc. as also

to supplement the teaching in schools, particularly in the field of Science. Entertainment oriented programmes are included only to the extent necessary for sustaining audience for getting them exposed to these processes of education. According to All India Radio audience research also, the majority of their viewers are students, farmers and middle income groups.

(b) Does not arise.

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1425. श्री भोंकार लाल बेरवा : क्या सूचना और प्रसारण मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या सरकार का विचार राजस्थान में कोटा टिवीजन में एक आकाशवाणी केन्द्र स्थापित करने का है; और

(ख) यदि हां, तो कब ?

सूचना और प्रसारण मंत्री (श्री के० के० शाह) : (क) जी, नहीं। फिलहाल कोई प्रस्ताव नहीं है। इस क्षेत्र की आवश्यकता इन्दौर और अजमेर के रेडियो स्टेशनों से पूरी की जा रही है।

(ख) प्रश्न नहीं उठता।

Hindi Films

1426. SHRI CHANDRA SHEKHAR SINGH: Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that his Ministry had issued a "suggestion" to the organisation of Film producers in October last that the credit titles of Hindi films should be in Devanagari and Devanagari only;

(b) if so, the purpose for issuing such a suggestion; and

(c) what was the film producers' reaction thereto?

THE MINISTER OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (SHRI K. K. SHAH): (a) and (b). Yes, Sir. The suggestion of the Hindi Adviser to the Government of India to give the credit titles to Hindi films in Devanagari was brought to the notice of the film industry, which was free to take whatever decision it thought proper.

(c) Some film writers did not welcome it.

Indian Films in Iran

1427. SHRI RAM CHARAN: Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the Indian films which were shot in foreign countries are very unpopular in Iran, Afghanistan and Arab countries.

(b) whether it is also a fact that films shot in foreign countries are comparatively earning less foreign exchange than films produced in India; and

(c) if so, whether Government propose to ban the shooting of Indian films in foreign countries and not release any foreign exchange for this purpose?

THE MINISTER OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (SHRI K. K. SHAH): (a) No, Sir.

(b) Not as a rule.

(c) No change in the present policy in contemplated at the moment.

Delegation from Pakistan

1428. SHRI RAM CHARAN: Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) how many delegations, official and non-official visited India from Pakistan during the period from December 1967 to January 1968; and