

arrested and if so, on what date and with what result ;

(b) the stage at which the said prosecution stands and when it is likely to be concluded ;

(c) whether it is a fact that the accused has offered in cash a part of his civil liability to settle the criminal complaint ; and

(d) if so, the salient features thereof and Government's reaction thereto ?

**THE MINISTER OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (SHRI K. K. SHAH):** (a) The complaint against the former General Secretary of the Society has been filed with the Commissioner of Police, Bombay under Section 408 of the Indian Penal Code. Arrest has not been made.

(b) The case is still under investigation.

(c) No, Sir.

(d) Does not arise.

#### DEVELOPMENT OF BACKWARD AREAS OF DISTRICT HAMIRPUR

6173. **SHRI KIRIT BIKRAM DEB BURMAN :** Will the **PRIME MINISTER** be pleased to state :

(a) whether any scheme(s) has/have been submitted by the Uttar Pradesh Government for the development of the backward areas of Rath and Charkhari Tehsils in District Hamirpur in U.P.;

(b) if so, the details thereof including their cost ;

(c) if the reply to part (a) above be in the negative, whether any list of backward areas has been received or obtained from the Uttar Pradesh Government with a view to providing for rapid development of these areas to bring them to the level of other developed areas of the country ; and

(d) if so, whether the aforesaid areas are included in that list ?

**THE PRIME MINISTER, MINISTER OF ATOMIC ENERGY, MINISTER OF PLANNING AND MINISTER OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRIMATI INDIRA GANDHI) :** (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

(c) Yes, Sir.

(d) No, Sir.

#### POPULARISATION AND PUBLICITY OF PROGRESS IN NUCLEAR SCIENCE

6174. **SHRI SAMAR GUHA :** Will the **PRIME MINISTER** be pleased to state :

(a) the steps which have been taken by Government to popularise general ideas about progress of Nuclear Science in various fields ;

(b) whether Government propose to set up a Committee for preparing popular books in all the regional languages on the progress of Atomic Science for making the people understand broad implications of the march of Nuclear Age ; and

(c) whether Government will arrange for at least three set-up of Atomic Exhibitions, one each for the Northern, Eastern and Southern zones of the country to be organised by the Atomic Energy Commission Publicity Department for presenting ideas about the progress of Atomic Science in the country and the world to our students community all over the country?

**THE PRIME MINISTER, MINISTER OF ATOMIC ENERGY, MINISTER OF PLANNING AND MINISTER OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRIMATI INDIRA GANDHI) :** (a) Normal channels and methods of publicity like news-reel coverage, issue of pamphlets and participation in exhibitions, are being used to explain the progress of nuclear science in the country. Visits of students and the general public to atomic energy establishments in the country are also organised.