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Brinjal (long)	Pusa Hybrid-5, NDBH-6, ARBH-201
Brinjal (semiround)	ABH-1, ABH-2, MHB-39, MHB-10
Cabbage	Sri Ganesh Gol, BSS-32
Cauliflower	Pusa Hybrid-2
Muskmelon	Pb hybrid-1
Watermelon	Arka Jyoti
Cucumber	Pusa Sanyog
Pumpkin	Pusa Hybrid-1
Capsicum	Pusa Deepti

#### ELITEX-99

2194. SHRI ABHAYSINH S. BHONSLE:  
SHRI D.S. AHIRE:

Will the Minister of ELECTRONICS be pleased to state:

(a) whether an exhibition-cum-seminar was held recently in New Delhi entitled Electronic and Information Technology Exposition (ELITEX)-99.

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the extent to which it is likely to help in promoting interaction among Research and Development Institutions and to identify key thrust areas?

THE MINISTER OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS AND THE MINISTER OF DEPARTMENT OF ELECTRONICS (SHRI JASWANT SINGH): (a) to (c) Yes, Sir. The Department of Electronics has organised ELITEX-99 (Electronics and Information Technology Exposition) during February 2 & 3, 1999 in New Delhi on technologies developed through the Department supported projects with the aim to stimulate technology development as well as its absorption and to strengthen efforts towards global competitiveness in Electronics. The Seminar covered subjects on Information Technology, Strategic Electronics,

Communications, Micro-Electronics & Photonics, Technology Development Programmes of the Department, Material and Components. The industry has expressed its satisfaction and shown keen interest to take the know-how for some of the products developed by R&D institutions. New Software products viz. Multimail, Leap office Ver 2.0, communication co-processor chip and CD on Bilingual Hindi Dictionary have also been released during the exhibition. The exhibition has shown tremendous potential and created impact in terms of awareness and availability of indigenous technologies products. Memorandum of Understandings (MOUs) were signed in respect of the following three technologies:—

- Micro Remote Technical Unit developed by Electronics Research and Development Centre (ER&DCI), Trivandrum to M/s Micromax Systems Pvt. Ltd.
- Versatile Colour Sensor by ER&DCI, Trivandrum to M/s. ECIL, Hyderabad.
- Integrated Receiver Decoder System by CEERI, Pilani to M/s. Nanak Antenna, New Delhi.

#### Threat from Pakistan

2195. SHRI DILEEP SANGHANI: Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government perceives any threat from the ongoing military co-operation between Pakistan and France;

(b) if so, the details thereof and the steps taken or proposed to be taken by the Government to prevent such eventualities;

(c) whether any negotiations have taken place with France in this regard; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS AND MINISTER OF DEPARTMENT OF ELECTRONICS (SHRI JASWANT SINGH): (a) and (b) Government closely monitors all developments which have a bearing on our national security, and will continue to take all steps necessary to effectively safeguard our security interests.

(c) and (d) India has an ongoing, wide-ranging and comprehensive dialogue with France covering, *inter-alia*, bilateral co-operation, regional developments as well as security and nuclear disarmament. In this framework, several rounds of discussions have been held between the two countries. These have provided an opportunity for sharing assessments on various issues including those relating to security, and to convey our concerns.