

KUMARI GIRIJA VYAS Mr Speaker, Sir, a hand book, in regard to serials, was prepared during July 1984. It was revised on 1st October, 1990 and new serials were invited at that time. 3,544 proposals have been received. In this regard, the number of Members of the Committee has been reduced from 100 to 64. They have gone through these proposals and 432 proposals have been flashed under a Press Notification issued on 28th February, 1992. Apart from these, some proposals are still under consideration. We require 72-75 serials to telecast upto 1992 and Doordarshan will accept these serials on the basis of merits.

(Interruptions)

MR SPEAKER You may please table the written criteria relating to it. The hon Members will get it.

(Interruptions)

SHRI RAJESH KUMAR Mr speaker, Sir, through you, I would like to know from the government the number of new serials which have been stopped after telecasting 3-4 episodes, and the number of old serials which have been repeated three-four times. What are the reasons therefor? My second question relating to it, is

MR SPEAKER You may ask one question.

(Interruptions)

SHRI RAJESH KUMAR It is related to it. The number of 3544 serials has been mentioned. Through you I would like to know the number out of 3544 serials which will affect the unity and integrity of the country?

KUMARI GIRIJA VYAS Mr Speaker, sir he may please give a separate notice for it.

SHRI SARAT CHANDRA PATANAYAK Mr Speaker, Sir, I would like to ask about the number of Oriya films which

have been telecast in a year. I have been observing for the last two-three years that in Orissa old Oriya films are being telecast on Sundays *(Interruptions)*. Therefore I would like to request that new films should be telecast.

[English]

MR SPEAKER—Disallowed

WRITTEN ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS

[English]

Accidents of Indian Airlines Aircraft

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Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM be pleased to state

(a) the number of major accidents of Indian Airlines aircraft during 1991

(b) the reasons for these accidents and the number of lives lost therein and

(c) the steps taken to avert such accidents and to ensure the safety of the aircraft and passengers?

THE MINISTER OF CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM (SHRI MADHAVRAO SCINDIA) (a) to (c) During 1991, there was one accident in which Indian Airlines B-737 aircraft VT-EFL operating flight IC 257 from Calcutta to Imphal crashed near Imphal on 16.8.1991. 63 passengers and 6 crew members lost their lives in the accident. The Court of Inquiry appointed to investigate the accident is yet to submit its report.