

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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HERITAGE FILMS

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Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:

- (a) whether a majority of heritage films from archives have been lost/found damaged;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the National Films Development Corporation of India has taken any action in the matter;
- (d) If so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor;
- (e) whether the Government proposes to enlist public cooperation in retrieving the prints of those films to the extent possible; and
- (f) if so, the details thereof, and if not the reasons therefor?

Answer

MINISTER OF THE STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF INFORMATION & BROADCASTING (DR. S. JAGATHRAKSHAKAN)

(a) and (b) : No, Sir. No heritage films from the NFAI's collection have been lost/found damaged. The heritage films from the NFAI's collection are preserved intact.

(c) and (d) : National Film Development Corporation (NFDC) has restored and preserved 33 of its own films in digital format and another 50 of its own films are under various stages of restoration process and will be maintained in digital form thereafter.

(e) and (f) : No, Sir. Does not arise in view of reply to (a) and (b) above.