

**Increase Scheme for Backward Area
Development**

6922. Dr. B.L. SHAILESH : Will the Minister of INDUSTRY be pleased to state :

(a) whether Government have by now taken any final decision as to the future shape and content of the incentive schemes in the light of the report submitted by the inter-ministerial Committee on incentive schemes for backward area development in December, 1986;

(b) if so, the details thereof, and if not, the reasons for the delay; and

(c) the schemes envisaged for backward areas in the Eastern Uttar Pradesh and the outlay suggested therefor ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT IN THE MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY (SHRI M. ARUNACHALAM) : (a) to (c) The recommendations of the Inter-Ministerial Committee set up to review and revise the Central Incentives Schemes for industrialisation of backward areas are still under consideration of the Government.

**Proposal for setting up Joint Ventures
with Switzerland**

6923. SHRI H.A. DORA : Will the Minister of INDUSTRY be pleased to state :

(a) whether Switzerland has recently proposed for increasing joint ventures between India and Switzerland; and

(b) if so, the response of Government thereto ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT IN THE MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY (SHRI M. ARUNACHALAM) : (a) and (b) Government welcome cooperation with other countries in the hi-tech areas to modernise our industries and improve their productivity to make them internationally competitive provided the terms and conditions offered are within our policy parameters. No

specific proposal has, however, been received from Switzerland in this regard.

Collaborations with Multinational Companies by Leather Industry

6924. SHRI C. MADHAV REDDY : Will the Minister of INDUSTRY be pleased to state :

(a) whether collaboration with the multinational companies have been entered into by Indian leather industry; and

(b) if so, how far their expertise is being made use of ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT IN THE MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY (SHRI M. ARUNACHALAM) : (a) As per available information, no unit in the Indian leather industry has entered into collaboration with a multinational firm for the manufacture of Leather or Leather Products.

(b) Does not arise.

11.59 hrs.

**CORRECTING STATEMENT TO USQ
NO. 1737 DATED 7.3.88 RE. PARTICIPANT
COUNTRIES IN FILMOTSAV
AT TRIVANDRUM**

[English]

THE MINISTER OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS AND MINISTER OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (SHRI H.K.L. BHAGAT) : For the answer given in reply to part (a) of the Lok Sabha Unstarred Question No. 1737 answered on 7.3.88, following corrections may kindly be read :—

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(a) 33 countries including India participated in Filmotsav '88.	(a) 31 countries including India participated in Filmotsav '88.
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As soon as the mistake was detected necessary action was initiated to correct it.