

equipment have been issued to the following organisations:

- M/s. BHEL, Bangalore
- M/s. ASEA Ltd., Bangalore
- M/s. Kirloskar Ltd., Bangalore
- M/s. Sieflex Ltd., Madras
- M/s. HMT Ltd., Bangalore.

M/s Sieflex Ltd.. Madras has started manufacturing Robots for welding purposes.

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I.A.F. Helicopter Service to Kargil and Zanskar in Jammu and Kashmir

6017. SHRI K.D. SULTANPURI: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to State:

(a) whether Defence Ministry had agreed in June, 1989 to start MI-17 helicopter service to Kargil and Zanskar in Jammu and Kashmir for civilians through the good offices of the IAF with certain conditions to be fulfilled by the State Government, and

(b) if so, the reasons for not starting the Helicopter service so far and when the said service is expected to be started?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF DEFENCE (SHRI RAJA RAMANNA): (a) It was agreed in principle to provide a Helicopter service to certain far

flung and inaccessible areas in Jammu and Kashmir for about 7 months from November, 1989 to June, 1990.

(b) The State Government was advised in November, 1989 of the facilities/conditions required from them at the helipads. State Government's response has just been received and further action is underway for starting the service.

Irrigation Schemes of Gujarat Pending Clearance

6018. SHRI KASHIRAM RANA: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to State:

(a) the details of irrigation schemes of Gujarat Government pending before Union Government for want of clearance in view of forest lands coming under submergence; and

(b) if so, the likely time by which the proposals submitted by the Gujarat Government will be sanctioned?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTATION (SHRIMATI MANEKA GANDHI): (a) and (b). Three proposal of Irrigation Schemes received from Government of Gujarat under Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 are pending with the Central Government. Details of these proposals and their present position is as shown in the statement attached.