

Collapse of Panaji AIR Station Building

7413. PROF. GOPALRAO MAYEKAR: Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are aware that the Panaji AIR station building which was under construction collapsed recently;

(b) if so, the reasons thereof;

(c) the number of workers injured and compensation, if any, paid to them; and

(d) the action taken or proposed to be taken by Government against the contractor and engineers involved in it?

THE MINISTER OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING AND MINISTER OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS (SHRI P. UPENDRA): (a) and (b). On 10.3.90, during the process of concreting, a part of studio slab of AIR Station, Panaji collapsed due to lack of judgement on the part of the carpenter who was adjusting the support below the slab and beam.

(c) In this incident, nine labourers were injured. Eight of them were discharged after giving first-aid. The labourer who got fracture was medically treated and discharged. He was also given an amount of rupees three thousand by the contractor as compensation.

(d) The contractor has been asked to get the collapsed portion recast at his own cost.

CBI Cases Dropped against Chairman of Nationalised Banks

7414. SHRI MULLAPPALLY RAMACHANDRAN: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Central Bureau of Investigation has dropped cases against Chairman of any nationalised banks during 1989-90;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the reasons therefor?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI ANIL SHASTRI): (a) Central Bureau of Investigation (CBI) has reported that during the year 1989-90 none of the cases against the Chairmen-cum-Managing Director of nationalised banks have been dropped by the CBI.

(b) and (c). Do not arise.

[*Translation*]

Study of Various Programmes Telecast on Doordarshan

7415. SHRI RAMESHWAR PRASAD: Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have conducted a study on social psychological and cultural impact on society by various sponsored programmes telecast on Doordarshan;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) if not, whether Government propose to conduct such study; and

(d) if so, when?

THE MINISTER OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING AND MINISTER OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS (SHRI P. UPENDRA): (a) to (d). No specific study/survey has been undertaken by Doordarshan so far to ascertain the social, psychological and cultural impact of sponsored programmes on society. However, Audience

Research Wing of Doordarshan undertakes studies of general nature to determine the viewers overall response to the various programmes, including sponsored programmes, put out by different Doordarshan Kendras.

[English]

*** Import/Export of Horses**

7416. SHRI N. DENNIS: Will the Minister of COMMERCE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether horses are being imported;
(b) if so, the details thereof for last three

years, year-wise;

(c) the foreign exchange involved therein, year-wise;

(d) the number of horses exported during last three years; and

(e) the foreign exchange earned?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE (SHRI AR-ANGIL SHREEDHARAN): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) and (c). Details of import of Horses during 1987-88, 1988-89 and April-December, 1989 are as under:—

Qty. in Nos.

Value in Rs. Lakhs

1987-88		1989-90		April-December, 1989 (Provisional)	
<i>Qty.</i>	<i>Value</i>	<i>Qty.</i>	<i>Value</i>	<i>Qty.</i>	<i>Value</i>
1	2	3	4	5	6
2	1.26	50	31.59	5	5.35

(d) and (e). There was no export of horses during 1987-88 and 1988-89. As per Provisional estimates only 10 horses for a value of Rs. 0.91 lakhs were exported during April-December, '89.

[Translation]

Setting up of Doordarshan Kendras in Jhanjarpur, Bihar

7417. SHRI DEVENDRA PRASAD YADAV: Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:

(a) whether the number of Doordarshan Kendras in Bihar is proportionate to the national average; and

(b) the steps being taken by Union Government to set up a Doordarshan Kendra in Jhanjarpur in Bihar?

THE MINISTER OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING AND MINISTER OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS (SHRI P. UPENDRA): (a) Doordarshan network in Bihar consisting of 3 high power and 27 low power TV transmitters and a TV transposer