[English]

Collaboration with US Firm by I.T.I. to Manufacture Three Micro Chip

8071. SHRI SRIKANTA DATTA NARA-SIMHARAJA WADYAR: Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the proposal of Indian Telephone Industry (ITI) to manufacture three micro chip in collaboration with US firm VISI has been pending since long;
- (b) if so, the reasons of the delay in giving clearance to that proposal:
 - (c) the total cost of the project;
- (d) whether any agreement has been signed between ITI and the US firm VISI to implement the project;
 - (e) if so, the details thereof; and
- (f) If not, the steps taken to clear the project at an early date?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI JANESHWAR MISHRA): (a) Yes, Sir.

- (b) The proposal has been under examination in consultation with various Government agencies.
- (c) Cost estimates are being worked out to reduce the costs.
- (d) and (e). Yes, Sir. Indian Telephone Industries Ltd. entered into an agreement with M/s. VISI INC., USA in May' 1988 for manufacture of ISI/VISI chips. Th technology for ISI/VISI chips is upto 1.5 microns.
 - (f) does not arise.

Expansion of Delhi Fire Service

8072. SHRI R. GUNDU RAO: SHRI P. NARSA REDDY:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Government have recently sanctioned funds for the expansion of the Delhi Fire Service and for installing fire fighting equipments in high rise Government buildings;
- (b) if so, the details thereof and the high rise Government buildings in the capital, which are not equipped with fire safety equipments:
- (c) the details of Government buildings in which these equipments are proposed to be installed for the present; and
- (d) further programme of Government to provide fire safety measures in all the buildings?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI SUBODH KANT SAHAY): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) to (d). The Delhi Fire Service is being strengthened by setting up nine additional Fire Stations, adding trained manpower and fire fighting equipment, details of which are given in the statement-I below. Government have also sanctioned a number of fire safety works in the high-rise buildings maintained by CPWD in order to bring them in conformity with the rules framed under the Delhi Fire Prevention and Fire Safety Act, 1986. A list indicating the names of the building maintained by CPWD, amount of the estimate and expected date of completion is given in statement-II below.