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Indo-Danish Electronic and Computer//5) Training Centre in Karnataka

*358. /SHRI G. S. BASAVARAJ: SHRIMATI BASAVARAJES-WARI:

Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

- (a) whether a Tool Room and Training Centre for computer training under the Indo-Danish agreement is likely to be set up in Karnataka;
- (b) if so, whether this Centre will impart training in electronics and computer science; is so, the details thereof;
- (c) the total expenditure involved and how much assistance will be provided by the Danish Government; and
- (d) how many students will be given training in this Centre every year?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOL-OGY (PROF. M.G.K. MENON) (a) Under the Indo-Danish agreement of 989, there is a proposal to set up Tool Room and training centre at 3 locations in India, including one at Mysore, Karnataka. However, setting up training facilities for Electronics & Computer Science is not covered under the above agreement.

(b) to (d). Do not arise.

[Translation]



Development of Backward States

*359. SHRI MAHESHWAR SINGH: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) the names of the States which have

been declared backward by the Union Government; and

(b) the steps being taken by Government for the proper development of these States?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PLANNING AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PRO-GRAMME IMPLEMENTATION (SHRI BHAGEY GOBARDHAN): (a) and (b). States have not been categorised, in general, as backward or forward. However, in December, 1969, based on the report of the Working Group on Identification of Backward Areas, 9 States were identified to qualify for special treatment by way of incentives for industrial development. These States were Andhra Pradesh, Assam, Bihar, Jammu & Kashmir, Madhya Pradesh, Nagaland, Orissa, Raiasthan, and U. P. Some other States and Union Territories were also iden tified as industrially backward with one o their districts qualifying for Central Industria subsidies and concessional finance.

Apart from this, States with weak re source base/per capita income below the national average or having special problems are also given a weightage in the allocation of central assistance.

Preservation of Relics in Gavijgarh Fort Amravati

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*360. SHRI SUDAM DESHMUKH: Wi the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state

- (a) whether historical monuments in "Gavijgarh" Fort in Chikhaldara Giri in Amra vati district are being ruined;
- (b) if so, the present condition therec and the steps taken by Government to pre serve them;
 - (c) whether Department of archaeolog