

[*Translation*]

Preservation of Art, Culture and Historical Places of Bundelkhand Region

3926. SHRI GANGA CHARAN LODHI:

Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) the measures being adopted by Government to protect and preserve the art, culture and historical places of Bundelkhand region; and

(b) the details of the outcome thereof so far?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (PROF. M.G.K. MENON): (a) and (b). The ancient and historical monuments and archaeological sites and remains in Bundelkhand region declared to be of national importance under the Ancient Monuments and Archaeological Sites and Remains Act, 1958 are being preserved and maintained by the Archaeological Survey of India (ASI). Necessary repairs are carried out as per requirements and archaeological norms. Among the outstanding examples of the works carried out by the ASI mention may be made of the monuments at Khajuraho, Datia and Jhansi. In respect of other monuments and sites not so declared, the State Government of Uttar Pradesh and Madhya Pradesh are concerned.

[*English*]

Nehru Yuva Kendras in Rajasthan

3927. CH. JAGDEEP DHANKHAR:

Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) the number of Nehru Yuva Kendras in Rajasthan; and

(b) the amount allocated for Nehru Yuva Kendras in Rajasthan during 1989-90?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (PROF. M.G.K. MENON): (a) 27.

(b) Rs. 61.51 Lakhs were released to the Nehru Yuva Kendras in Rajasthan during 1989-90.

Proposal for CTV Tube Plants

3928. SHRI BHAKTA CHARAN DAS:

Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have a proposal to set up some colour picture tube plants in the country;

(b) if so, the number of applications received and are pending clearance with the Government in this regard; and

(c) the steps taken to clear the proposals?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (PROF. M.G.K. MENON): (a) to (c). Colour Picture Tube as an electronic component is a de-licensed item. However, if aspects relating to foreign collaboration, capital goods, location policy etc. are involved, specific approvals are called for. Eleven (11) parties have applied for approval in this context for manufacture of

colour picture tubes. Action on 3 pending proposals is being taken.

Smuggling of Uranium

3930 SHRIJANARDHANAPOOJARY: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether 250 g of uranium was recovered from smugglers in U.P. in the last week of February, 1990;

(b) whether Government are aware of the smuggling of uranium from India to Pakistan.

(c) if so, the number of persons arrested on this count during the last three months, and

(d) the steps taken to check smuggling?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (PROF. M.G.K. MENON): (a) Information is being collected?

(b) No instance of smuggling of uranium from India to Pakistan has come to notice

(c) Does not arise

(d) Strict security measures exist in the Uranium Mines and Mill Complex at Jaduguda under CISF personnel who are on duty round the clock.

Centre for Artificial Intelligence and Robotics, Bangalore

3931. SHRI H.C. SRIKANTIAH: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is any proposal to set up a Centre for Artificial Intelligence and Robotics at Bangalore; and

(b) if so, the time by when it is expected to be set up and the progress made so far in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF DEFENCE (DR. RAJA RAMANNA): (a) The Centre for Artificial Intelligence and Robotics is proposed to be established at Mysore.

(b) A nucleus of the Centre for Artificial Intelligence and Robotics is already functioning from temporary accommodation in the DRDO campus in Bangalore. It will be shifted to Mysore when the campus is established. Some systems using Artificial Intelligence techniques are under development for certain specific defence applications.

Regional Residential Women Polytechnic in Orissa

3932. SHRI GOVINDA CHANDRA MUNDA: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have decided to set up residential women polytechnics in the country on regional basis in the Central Sector;

(b) whether the proposal of setting up of such a polytechnic in Orissa is still pending; and

(c) if so, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (PROF. M.G.K. MENON): (a) No, Sir.