

(b) Does not arise.

(c) The Central Government have not started any scheme for setting up Central Engineering Colleges in various States.

Safety Measures for Chemical Industries

4057. SHRIMATI BASAVA RAJESWARI: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have made rules for safety measures for chemical industries in the country;

(b) if so, the main rules provided therefor;

(c) the chemical industries that will be coming under the rules; and

(d) to what extent such rules will help the chemical industry?

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) Government have made Rules to provide for safety measures for handling of hazardous chemicals and wastes.

(b) The three main Rules are the Manufacture, Storage and Import of Hazardous Chemicals Rules, 1989 for controls on all stages of handling of hazardous chemicals; the Hazardous Wastes (Management and Handling) Rules, 1989 for controls on hazardous wastes; and the Transport of hazardous chemicals by road which is covered under the Motor Vehicle Rules, 1989.

(c) The handling of hazardous chemicals and wastes has been regulated and all industries handling such hazardous chemi-

icals will have to comply with the provisions of the Rules.

(d) These Rules will help industry to identify the potential hazards and take measures to prevent accidents.

Scientific Instruments and Technology System From U.S.S.R.

4058. SHRIMATI BASAVA RAJESWARI:
SHRI DHARMESH PRASAD VARMA:

Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether Union Government have taken a decision to obtain new scientific instruments and technology system from U.S.S.R.;

(b) if so, whether any agreement has been reached in this regard; and

(c) if so, the details thereof?

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). An Integrated Long Terms Programme (ILTP) of Cooperation in Science and Technology concluded between India and the USSR in July, 1987 covers a wide range of activities in science and technology, including basic and applied research. The areas covered are Biotechnology and Immunology, Materials Science and Technology, Laser Science and Technology, Catalysis, Space Science and Technology, Synchrotron Radiation Sources, Water Prospecting, Computers and Electronics, Mathematics, Theoretical and Applied Mechanics, Earth Sciences, Radiophysics and Astrophysics,