

tions are given below ad seriatim:

(a) There is a general shortage of good quality children's films in the country

(b) 162 feature films were telecast on the National network of Doordarshan during the period from 1.12.1988 to 30.11.1989 out of which 12 were children's films.

(c) A special chunk on every third Saturday from 2.15 p.m. to 3.30 p.m. has been reserved for telecast of children's films on the National network of Doordarshan. All Doordarshan Kendras have been instructed to telecast children's films in the regional languages on a fixed frequency. Besides, a number of children's films are telecast on special occasions like the Children's Day.

Office of Development Commissioner of Iron and Steel in Calcutta

*88. SHRI JAI PRAKASH AGARWAL: Will the Minister of STEEL AND MINES be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have decided to abolish the office of the Development Commissioner of Iron and Steel in Calcutta;

(b) if so, the reasons therefor; and

(c) whether Government propose to have an alternative organisation for the purpose?

THE MINISTER OF STEEL AND MINES AND THE MINISTER OF LAW AND JUSTICE (SHRI DINESH GOSWAMI): (a) No, Sir.

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

Allocation of Additional Resources to Agriculture

*89. SHRI ARVIND NETAM: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government propose to divert fifty per cent of resources towards agricultural sector:

(b) if so, when the proposal would be implemented, and

(c) the details of the measures proposed to be taken in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF FINANCE (PROF. MADHU DANDAVATE): (a) to (c). The Reserve Bank of India has issued instructions to all commercial banks advising them to raise the proportion of advances to priority sector to 40 of their total advances. The banks were further advised to ensure that direct finance extended to agriculture (including allied activities) reached a feel of at least 15% of the total credit by March, 1985 and at least 16% by March, 1987. These norms were further reviewed and banks were advised to step up the direct finance extended to agriculture so as to reach a feel of at least 17% of their total credit by March, 1989 and 18% by March, 1990.

So far as the allocation of resources to agricultural sector is concerned, the Planning Commission proposes to channelise nearly fifty percent of the Government's investment outlay for the development of the rural areas in future plans.

Transfer of Profit to Cine Workers Welfare fund

*93. SHRI ERA ANBARASU: Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING AND PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) the amount of profit earned by the National Film Development Corporation (NFDC) through screening of 'Gandhi film'; and

(b) the amount transferred to the Cine