

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) steps taken by the Government to check illegal arms supply in the border States ?

THE MINISTER OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT AND HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI P.V. NARASIMHA RAO) : (a) and (b). Nothing specific has yet been known to establish any supply in recent years of Chinese arms through Bangladesh to the TNV.

(c) Vigil on the borders has been maintained. Security operations are continuing. Recently the Security personnel engaged the TNV extremists in two encounters and succeeded in recovering some arms and ammunition. Besides, the Security personnel were able to arrest 5 TVN extremists while another four surrendered, during current year (1986).

#### Recruitment of Women in Defence Forces

\*780. SHRI VAKKOM PURUSHOTHAMAN : Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state :

(a) whether women are recruited in the Defence Forces of the country;

(b) if so, how many of them are working in the officers grade; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF DEFENCE RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT (SHRI ARUN SINGH) : (a) and (b). Women are being recruited in the Armed Forces Medical Services. Presently, 3064 women officers are in service, as per the following details :

Army Medical Corps	:	295
Army Dental Corps	:	15
Military Nursing Service	:	2754

(c) Does not arise.

#### Dissemination of Results of Research

\*781. SHRI P.R. KUMARAMAN-GALAM : Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state :

(a) whether there is inadequate communication between the various scientific laboratories in the Indian Council of Agricultural Research, the Indian Council of Medical Research, the Council of Scientific and Industrial Research and other research institutions, the Industry, the users and the public;

(b) whether Government propose to bring out a consolidated directory of all scientific institutions in the country or Ministry-wise list of institutions with location and addresses of their sub-units, giving critical data of scope of work, number of staff employed, annual budget etc.; and

(c) whether an annual publication is also proposed to be brought out giving institution-wise most important findings, with practical application of each of the research made in order to inform the public and other scientists and industrialists etc.

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY AND IN THE DEPARTMENTS OF OCEAN DEVELOPMENT, ATOMIC ENERGY, ELECTRONICS AND SPACE (SHRI SHIVRAJ V. PATIL) : (a) While agencies like ICAR, ICMR and CSIR bring out publications from time to time to apprise the industries and end users of their facilities and achievements, it will be desirable to encourage more interaction between them for enhancing mutual benefit.

(b) The scientific agencies have been bringing out Annual Reports and Directories periodically indicating the addresses of their laboratories, area of research work, facilities they have, and their achievements. Such publications are brought out Ministry-wise/Department-wise.

(c) In addition to the publication brought out by the Scientific agencies, the Government has taken several measures to disseminate scientific informations to the public.

#### Inclusion of Muslim Community in the list of other Backward Classes

7330. SYED SHAHABUDDIN : Will the Minister of WELFARE be pleased to state :