

[Translation]

News Item "DDA Hurdles/Irk Builders"

*643. SHRI BALWANT SINGH
RAMOOWALIA :

SHRI TEJA SINGH DARDI :
Will the Minister of URBAN
DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state :

(a) whether the attention of Government has been drawn to the news items appearing in the 'Times of India' dated 10 March, 1987 under the caption "DDA hurdles irk builders" ;

(b) if so, the difficulties pointed out by the private builders in Delhi ; and

(c) the reaction of Government thereto?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE
MINISTRY OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT
(SHRI DALBIR SINGH) : (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The news item, after mentioning difficulties like non-involvement of private builders and non-adoption of new techniques in house building, decries the attitude of governmental agencies, like the Delhi Development Authority, for placing hurdles in the way of builders.

(c) Government have always been open to the suggestions of the builders or any other forum to increase housing stock in the country. There is, no truth in the allegation that hurdles are being placed in the way of builders.

[English]

Launching of Teletrust of India

*644. SHRI LAKSHMAN MALLICK:
Will the Minister of INFORMATION
AND BROADCASTING be pleased to
state :

(a) whether the TV Programme Producers Guild of India has decided to launch a National TV News Agency 'Teletrust of India' to provide Doordarshan with daily video news-clips from all over India and abroad ; and

(b) if so, the details in this regard ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE
MINISTRY OF INFORMATION AND
BROADCASTING (SHRI A.K. PANJA) :
(a) and (b) Yes, Sir. The Guild has informed Doordarshan of their decision to launch such an agency. However, no details of the project have been furnished by them.

Grant to Children's Film Society

*645. DR. B.L. SHAILESH : Will
the Minister of INFORMATION AND
BROADCASTING be pleased to state :

(a) the amount of grants paid to the Children's Film Society during the last two years and proposed to be paid during the current year ;

(b) the check being exercised by Government over the proper spending of this money by the Society and the type and quality of films produced by it ;

(c) whether this Society has recently revised its production modality by introducing a three-tier programme to encourage talent and to promote better professionalism in the field of children's film production ; and

(d) if so, the details of the new three-tier format ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE
MINISTRY OF INFORMATION AND
BROADCASTING (SHRI A.K. PANJA) :

(a) Year	(Rs. in lakhs)		
	Grants-in-aid sanctioned		
	Plan	Non-Plan	Total
1985-86	63.35	10.00	73.35
1986-87	33.25	11.90	45.15

A provision of Rs. 87.40 lakhs (Rs. 75 lakhs on Plan side and Rs. 12.40 lakhs on Non-Plan side) has been proposed as grant-in-aid to the Society, in the budget for 1987-88.

(b) to (d) A statement is given below.