THE MINISTER OF PARLIAMEN-TARY AFFAIRS AND MINISTER OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (SHRI H.K.L. BHAGAT) : (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) No scientific study on the reasons for this disparity is available.

(c) In the absence of scientific study, it is difficult to offer any comments. However, the general perception is that the overall economics of theatres has become less attractive because of the spread of video technology and the incidence of entertainment tax and other levies.

(d) A statement is given below.

Statement

Cinema (excluding certification of films) being a State subject, action to encourage construction of cinema theatres is primarily to be taken by the concerned State/Union Some Territory Administration. State Governments have offered incentives by way of refund of entertainment tax for some period or payment of subsidy on cost of construction to entrepreneurs setting up new cinema theatres. National Film Development Corporation, a public sector undertaking under the Ministry of Information and Broadcasting, has a threatre financing scheme which is aimed at construction of more cinema theatres in the country.

S.T.D. Facility in Kanjrappally Exchange of Kerala

*401. SHRI GEORGE JOSEPH MUNDACKAL : Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state : (a) whether the U.H.F. equipment for STD facility for the Kanjirappally Exchange of Kerala State have been supplied;

(b) if so, the reasons for delay in giving the STD facility for that Exchange; and

(c) the approximate date of opening that STD Exchange ?

THE MINISTER OF ENERGY AND MINISTER OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI VASANT SATHE): (a) No, Sir.

(b) Question does not arise.

(c) STD will become feasible after the commissioning of UHF scheme between Kottayam-Kanjirappally in 1989-90.

Recommendations of Dr. Arjun Sen Gupta Committee

*402. SHRI K. RAMAMURTHY : Will the Minister of INDUSTRY be pleased to refer to the reply given on 12 August, 1986 to Starred Question No. 379 regarding recommendations of Dr. Arjun Sen Gupta Committee and state :

(a) the recommendations of Dr. Arjun Sen Gupta Committee on public undertakings that have been implemented so far; and

(b) the recommendations that are still to be implemented and the reasons for not implementing them ?

THE MINISTER OF INDUSTRY (SHRI J. VENGAL RAO) : (a) and (b). A statement is given below.

Recommendations of Dr. Arjun Sen Gupta Committee	Action taken on these recommendations
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Statement

Public Enterprises and National Planning

1. Dovetailing of plans of public enterprises with National Plan is required in a few core sectors and that in the case of non-core sectors they should be integrated only in an indicative manner as for private sector units. This recommendation has been accepted with the modification that there will be flexibility in the concept and definition of the core sector. The dccision has been communicated to the Planning Commission for appropriate action.