Industrialisation of Orissa

*139. SHRII ARJUN SETHI: Will the Minister of PLANNING be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it is a fact that Orissa is one of the backward States in India so far as industrial development is concerned;
- (b) whether it is also a fact that in Orissa three out of every one thousand persons are industrial workers against the all India average of ten; and
- (c) if so, the details regarding the efforts of Central Government in assisting the State of Orissa in the industrial field?

THE MINISTER OF PLANNING AND LABOUR (SHRI NARAYAN DATT TIWARI): (a) and (b). Yes, Sir.

(c) For removing regional imbalances and for promoting industrial development of backward areas, the Government have announced a number of concessions and facilities from time to time These include concessional finance extended by all India term lending institutions Central ment subsidy, provision of seed margin money at low rates of interest for small units, preferential treatment for hire purchase of machinery by small scale units, income tax reliefs consultancy for technical services small units, interest subsidy for engineer enterpreneurs, and special facilities for import of raw materials. components, etc.

These concessions and facilities are available to the backward areas in Ourse and will supplement the efforts of the State Government.

Additionally, the Central Government have set up a number of large public sector units in the industrial sector to speed up the pace of industrial development in Orissa and some

more are under implementation consideration.

A National Committee on Backward Areas has been set up by the Planning Commission to formulate appropriate strategies for the development of backward areas. The recommendations of this Committee will be considered for further strengthening the efforts towards reducing regional disparities.

Production of cine colour Positive films with foreign technical know-how

- *140. SHRI R. PRABHU: Will the Minister of INDUSTRY be pleased to state:
- (a) whether there is any proposal under the consideration of Government to produce cine colour positive films with foreign technical know-how;
- (b) whether Government have received offers from any country for technical collaboration; and
 - (c) if so, what are the detai's thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY (SHRI CHARANJIT CHANANA): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) and (c). Preliminary offers for technical collaboration covering transfer of know-how. technical services, supervision and erection, training of personnel of Hindustan Photo Films Manufacturing Co. Ltd. (HPF) etc., have been received from ORWO—GDR, AGFA—GAVAERT. Belgium and 3—M FERRANIA.

Activities of Hare Krishna Group

- 1201. SHRI G. Y. KRISHNAN: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:
- (a) whether Government's attention has been drawn to the news item in the Indian Express dated the 11th June, 1980 that the Newyork indications are that the Hare Krishna Group