

Release of Malappuram Uphill Firing Range for Development of Town

1365. SHRI C. JANARDHANAN: Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Kerala State Government has been requesting to release the Malappuram Uphill Firing Range for the development of the Town;

(b) whether the State Government has suggested another place for this purpose; and

(c) if so, the Government's response thereto?

THE MINISTER OF DEFENCE (Shri Bansi Lal): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) Yes, Sir.

(c) It has been agreed that the Uphill Firing Range and Haig Barracks at Mallapuram would be handed over to the Government of Kerala in exchange of land of equivalent value at Trivandrum.

Development of Small Scale Industries in Kerala

1366. SHRI C. JANARDHANAN: Will the Minister of INDUSTRY AND CIVIL SUPPLIES be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Kerala State Government has formulated some comprehensive schemes for the development of the Small Scale industries in the State;

(b) if so, the main features of the schemes;

(c) whether any financial help has been sought from the Central Government for this purpose; and

(d) if so, Government's decision thereon?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY AND CIVIL SUPPLIES (Shri A. P. Sharma): (a) to (d). A statement is laid on the Table of the House. [Placed in Library. See No. LT-10259/76].

Setting up of a Television Centre in Andhra Pradesh

1367. SHRI Y. ESWARA REDDY: Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have decided to set up a T.V. Centre in Andhra Pradesh;

(b) if so, the facts thereof; and

(c) the time by which it is likely to go on the air?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (Shri Dharam Bir Sinha): (a) to (c). As a part of the scheme to provide TV service to about 40 per cent of the SITE areas on conclusion of the present Satellite Instructional Television Experiment, it is proposed to set up a T. V. transmitter at Hyderabad in Andhra Pradesh. The transmitter is likely to go on the air in early 1977.

International Film Festival

1368. SHRI Y. ESWARA REDDY: Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:

(a) whether the International Film Festival has been conducted in Bombay this year;

(b) whether the lavish expenditure by Film Finance Corporation on