

(c) The Cyclotron will be used for nuclear and solid state physics research by students and scientists from Indian universities, national laboratories and other research institutions. The isotopes produced by the Cyclotron would be used in medicine, agriculture, radiation chemistry and biology. It will also be used in radiation damage studies of materials, which studies will be helpful in the designing of reactors.

Production of a film "Indus to Indira Gandhi" by a Tamil Nadu firm

5072. SHRI NAWAB SINGH CHAUHAN: Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:

(a) whether a firm of Tamil Nadu was awarded a contract worth Rs. 12 lakh for producing the film "Indus to Indira Gandhi";

(b) whether the payment to this firm was made during the last days of the Ministership of former Minister;

(c) the contents of this feature film and whether the amount paid for the film was too much and the money was misused there; and

(d) whether Government propose to order a C.B.I. inquiry into the whole affair?

THE MINISTER OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (SHRI L. K. ADVANI): (a) M/s. Krishna-swamy Associates, 5 Mahatma Gandhi Road, Shastri Nagar, Madras were paid an amount of Rs. 11.90 lakhs for the TV rights of the film 'Indus Valley to Indira Gandhi' for a period of 50 years.

(b) The payment was made on 14th January, 1977.

(c) This is a feature length documentary film for a duration of about 4 hours with two parts of two hours each. It is an attempt to recreate Indian history, culture and civilization from the Indus Valley civilization to

that of present times. The amount of Rs. 11.90 lakhs paid for the TV rights of the film for 50 years was on the basis of the recommendation of a Committee constituted for this purpose and also in consultation with the Ministry of Finance.

(d) No, Sir.

Photo Films Factory in Private Sector

5073. SHRI K. A. RAJAN: Will the Minister of INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) whether the All India Federation of Photographic Traders Association has suggested a photo films factory in the private sector; and

(b) if so, the facts and Government's reaction thereto?

THE MINISTER OF INDUSTRY (SHRI GEORGE FERNANDES): (a) and (b). In his address on the occasion of the 7th convention of the All India Federation of Photographic Trades Association held at Madras on the 2nd July, 1977, the President of the Association had, among other things, stated that there was a justifiable claim for setting up of second unit preferably in the private sector for the manufacture of roll films in the country. In reply to this address, the then Minister of Industrial Development had stated that production in this field was picking up in the Central Public Sector undertaking of Hindustan Photo Films Manufacturing Company Limited and that the company had already made arrangements for manufacture of roll films in collaboration with GDR. He had also expressed the view that when manufacture under the new arrangements starts, the HPF would be able to meet the country's entire requirements for roll films not only for the present but for the growing needs of the near future as well. In the circumstances, Government do not consider it necessary to set up an additional unit for the manufacture of this item in the country either in the private or in the public sector.