

### Selling of Hindustan Photo Films production

401. SHRIMATI AHILYA P. RANGNEKAR : Will the Minister of INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are considering to sell major part of Hindustan Photo Films production direct and the rest through distributors;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the percentage of products sold directly and through distributors during the last three years?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY (KUMARI ABHA MAITI) : (a) to (c). The Committee on Public Undertakings (1973-74) in its 55th report on the working of the Hindustan Photo Films Manufacturing Company Limited (HPF), a public sector undertaking, recommended, *inter alia*, that the Company should consider the feasibility of taking over direct distribution of its products after the expiry of the arrangements for distribution through private agencies then in force till June 1975. However, as the Company was not fully geared to undertake direct distribution of all its products from June 1975, a beginning was made with direct supplies of cine films to the Films Division of the Ministry of Information and Broadcasting and of X-ray films to Government Departments, Defence Services and select hospitals from January, 1976. As the second stage in the introduction of direct distribution, the Company has taken over the responsibility for distributing all the cine goods directly from 1st October 1977. However, under arrangements entered into with the erstwhile private distributors of ORWO cine colour positive film, 87.5% would be distributed through private channels and 62.5% by HPF till 30th September 1978 and thereafter, the distribution of this item would also be done wholly by the Company. It has also been decided by the Company that direct distribution of all other products manufactured by it, viz., X-ray films, amateur roll film, bromide paper etc. would be taken over from 1st July 1978.

### Grant-in-aid to Indian Institute of Mass Communication, New Delhi.

402. SHRI PRADYUMNA BAL : Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:

(a) the grant-in-aid given to the Indian Institute of Mass Communication, New Delhi during the last and current financial years.

(b) the money being spent per student during one academic year, year-wise breakup for the last three years;

(c) if there is any increase in grant-in-aid, to what percentage it has been increased and what are the basis on which grant has been administered; and

(d) whether few appointments including the post of a professor were made without advertisement?

THE MINISTER OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (SHRI L. K. ADVANI) :

Year	Rs. in lakhs
(a) 1976-77.	20.55
1977-78 (Upto date)	10.06
(b) 1974-75 .	4026
1975-76 . . . . .	6892
1976-77 . . . . .	4408
(c) Increase in 1975-76 over 1974-75 . . . . .	16.92%
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The grant-in-aid is given to meet expenditure on all activities of the Institute.

(d) Yes, Sir.

### Separate Ministry for unemployment

403. SHRI SASANKASEKHAR SANYAL : Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state : whether he has considered the desirability of setting up an independent Ministry for Unemployment giving guidelines to the State Governments and Centrally administered territories in this behalf?

THE PRIME MINISTER (SHRI MORARJI DESAI) : The creation of an independent Ministry for Unemployment is not considered necessary.