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SHORT FILMS ON IMPORTANT PERSONALITIES
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Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Orissa Government has made any proposal to make short-length films on the lives of important personalities of Orissa having national reputation or bringing out books on the lives of those personalities;
- (b) if so, whether the Union Government has agreed to the request of the State Government; and
- (c) if so, the status of the proposal?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF INFORMATION & BROADCASTING AND CULTURE (SHRI S.JAIPAL REDDY)

(a), (b) & (c): Biographical films on late Shri Biju Patnaik, Chief Minister of Orissa and Mahamohapadhyay Samanta Chandrashekar, popularly known as Pathani Samanta are being produced by Films Division, Ministry of I&B. A biographical film on late Shri Akshaya Mohanty, the music legend of Orissa, is also being produced after a request for the same was received from the State Government. Films Division has also produced biographical films on eminent personalities of Orissa like Binode Kanungo, Rajendra Singhdeo, Karmaaveer Gouri Shankar Roy, Padmabhushan Dr. Radhanath Rath, Gurugomkay Raghunath Murmu and Ramadevi.

Publications Division, Ministry of Information & Broadcasting, has published a book on `Dr. Hare Krushna Mahatab` written by Shri M.N.Das and Shri C.P.Nanda under the Builders of Modern India (BMI) Series. The books on `Jayee Rajguru` by Shri Bijoy Chandra Rath and `Jaydev`, the famous Sanskrit poet & author of Geetgovinda by Shri A.K.Tripathy & Shri P.C.Tripathy are also under process.