

(b) Only 2 cases have been referred by the State Government in 1988 and 1989. Investigation in both cases has been finalised.

(c) During the year 1989 investigations in 1051 cases have been finalised.

(d) 2 cases are being investigated.

[*Translation*]

**Birth Centenary Celebrations of Dr.  
B.R. Ambedkar**

6045. SHRI RATILAL KALIDAS  
VARMA:  
SHRI HET RAM:

Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government propose to celebrate the birth centenary of Dr. Baba Sahab Ambedkar; and

(b) if so, the manner in which it will be celebrated?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY AND MINISTER OF STATE IN DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (PROF. M.G.K. MENON): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The Centenary will be celebrated at the National level in a befitting manner as has been the practice in similar cases of celebration of the Centenaries of other distinguished citizens of India.

[*English*]

**Ban on Advertisements of Baby Milk foods In Radio and T.V.**

6046. SHRI KALP NATH RAI:  
SHRI EDUARDO FALEIRO:

Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have banned advertisements relating to baby milk foods in its media-Radio and Television, with a view to encouraging breast feeding for babies and discouraging the use of artificial milk for babies; and

(b) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY AND MINISTER OF STATE IN DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (PROF. M.G.K. MENON): (a) and (b). Yes, Sir. The information and Broadcasting Ministry have decided that advertisements for baby foods can be accepted by AIR and Doordarshan so long as the manufacturers and distributors of these products do not promote them as being suitable for use as partial or total substitutes for breast milk. Each proposal is required to be examined on its own merit before final acceptance.

**Freight Equalisation Policy**

6047. SHRI SANAT KUMAR MANDAL:  
Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether West Bengal Government has made a strong plea for scrapping of the freight equalisation policy as industries in West Bengal had to bear a higher raw material supply compared to their counter-parts