

THE PRIME MINISTER (SHRI MORARJI DESAI): (a) A proposal to reorganise the CSIR is under consideration.

(b) A copy of the Press communique dated 20th August, 1977 issued by the Government of India setting out the reasons and rationale for the reorganisation of the CSIR is laid on the Table of the House.

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Recommendation of F.I.C.C.I. for speeding up Industrialisation in Rural and Backward Areas

*139. **SHRI S. R. DAMANI:** Will the Minister of INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) whether Federation of Indian Chambers of Commerce and Industry has submitted any recommendations to speed up industrialization in rural and backward areas specially emphasising the need for giving more fiscal incentives;

(b) if so, the details thereof and the Government's reaction thereto, and

(c) the details of decisions and actions taken, if any, for implementation?

THE MINISTER OF INDUSTRY (SHRI GEORGE FERNANDES): (a) No, Sir.

(b) and (c). Do not arise.

Closing of Publication of Regional Editions of Rozgar Samachar

*140. **SHRI EBRAHIM SULAIMAN SAJI.**
SHRI G. M. BANATWALLA:

Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have taken any decision to close down Rozgar Samachar paper published in Assamese, Bengali, Tamil and Telugu edition from 29th October, 1977 and if so, the reasons therefor;

(b) number of employees likely to be affected as a result thereof; and

(c) whether any alternate services have been provided by Government to the affected persons and if not, the reasons thereof?

THE MINISTER OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (SHRI L. K. ADVANI): (a) The publication of 'Rozgar Samachar' in Assamese, Teluge, Tamil and Bengali languages has been suspended as their continuation in the present form was uneconomical and also did not serve the purpose for which they were meant. The matter was discussed in the Conference of State Ministers of Information held in New Delhi on 4-11-77. The State Governments of Assam, West Bengal, Tamil Nadu, Andhra Pradesh, Karnataka and Kerala had shown their interest in the language editions being brought out from their States. Government are accordingly considering the possibility of starting these issues as regional editions with the assistance of the respective State Governments.

(b) and (c). Among employees appointed against regular posts, 4 Assistant Editors belonging to the Central Information Service (Grade III) and two Artist (Non-gazetted) have been rendered surplus. The 4 Assistant Editors who belong to the Central Information Service will revert to their own cadre. In the case of Artists, one was on deputation from another Ministry and is being reverted to his parent department. The other Artist, who had rendered about 8½ month's service, was working in a temporary capacity and has been served with one month's termination notice.