

(NISCOM), a constituent establishment of Council of Scientific and Industrial Research;

(b) if so, whether any proceedings are/were initiated against the Director and other officials of NISCOM; and

(c) if so, the total number and the designations of officials against whom proceedings are contemplated?

THE MINISTER OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT AND MINISTER OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY (DR. MURLI MANOHAR JOSHI): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) and (c) Disciplinary proceedings have been initiated by the respective disciplinary authorities against 18 officials in all including the then Director, NISCOM, 7 Scientists, 3 officers of the Deputy Secretary level, 2 Finance & Accounts Officers; 3 officers of the Section Officer level, 1 Technical Officer and 1 Upper Division Clerk.

Hindi Typewriter in the Ministry of Science and Technology

†5169. SHRI BALKAVI BAIRAGI: Will the Minister of SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY be pleased to state:

(a) the names of such offices under the Ministry where not even a single typewriter in Hindi is available upto now;

(b) the reasons for not purchasing Hindi typewriters so far and the names of officers responsible for this negligence; and

(c) the details of action taken to ensure proper compliance of targets fixed by the department of official language in the annual programmes on the official language regarding purchase of Hindi typewriters?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY IN THE MINISTRY OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY (SHRI BACHI SINGH RAWAT): (a) There is no office under the Ministry which does not have a Hindi typewriter. The Hindi typewriters are also supplemented with computers with Hindi language capabilities.

(b) Question does not arise.

(c) These matters are regularly monitored in the meetings of the respective Official Language Implementation Committees. Further, the compliance of targets is ensured through procedural inspections carried out by this Department.

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