

[12th May, 2000]

RAJYA SABHA

**Hindi Typing and Stenography Training in the Ministry of Science and Technology**

†5150. SHRI BALKAVI BAI RAGI: Will the Minister of SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY be pleased to state:

(a) the number of those typists and stenographers under the Ministry and subordinate offices who have not received training in Hindi typing and Hindi stenography so far; and

(b) the reasons for not giving them such training upto now and by when they are likely to be given this training?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY IN THE MINISTRY OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY (SHRI BACHI SINGH RAWAT): (a) There are 196 Stenographers and 83 typists in the Ministry of Science and Technology and its subordinate offices who have not yet received training in Hindi Stenography and Hindi Typing.

(b) Due to personal and operational reasons these employees were unable to undergo such type of training. Untrained employees are now being sent for training under a time bound programme in the coming training sessions.

**National Information Foundation**

5171 SHRI K. RAMA MOHANA RAO: Will the Minister of SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Government have set up a National information Foundation; and

(b) if so, the aims and objectives of the Foundation?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY IN THE MINISTRY OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY (SHRI BACHI SINGH RAWAT): (a) No, Sir.

(b) Question does not arise.

**I.I.P., Dehradun**

5172. SHRI NILOTPAL BASU: Will the Minister of SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY be pleased to state:

(a) whether I.I.P., Dehradun, under CSIR, is having a regular Director;

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