Regional Centres of Films Division

1435. SHRI R. SARATH KUMAR: Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:

- (a) the number of regional centres of Films Division in the country, at present;
- (b) whether these centres are well equipped;
- (c) if not, the steps taken for equipping them with latest equipment;
- (d) whether there is any proposal to set up more regional centres of the Film Division in the country; and
 - (e) if so, the details thereof alongwith locations?

THE MINISTER OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (SHRIMATI SUSHMA SWARAJ): (a) There is a Unit of the Division at New Delhi for production of family welfare and defence training films. There are also two Regional Production Centres of Films Division at Bangalore and Kolkata.

- (b) and (c) The Regional Production Centres are equipped with essential infrastructure like cameras, editing machines and recording equipments. Subject to availability of funds, upgradation is undertaken under a Plan Scheme for modernization and replacement of obsolete equipment.
 - (d) No Sir.
 - (e) Does not arise.

Inquiry Against DD Officials

1436. SHRI R. SARATH KUMAR: Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:

- (a) Whether the CBI has been making inquiries in a number of cases involving Doordarshan Officials who had been favouring a number of private compaines and other deals:
 - (b) if so, the details of the progress of the cases so far; and
 - (c) the action taken or contemplated by Government in each case?

THE MINISTER OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (SHRIMATI SUSHMA SWARAJ): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) to (c) The information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the House.