

Year	Budget allocation for purchase of books	Total expenditure	Total No. of volumes purchased
1986-87	Rs. 7.76 Lakhs	Rs. 7.72 Lakhs	34008
1987-88	Rs. 10.00 Lakhs	Rs. 9.99 Lakhs	40237
1988-89	Rs. 9.50 Lakhs	Rs. 9.43 Lakhs	40071

Allotment of Jinnah House to ICCR

814. SHRI CHANDRIKA PRASAD TRIPATHI:

DR. RATNAKAR PANDEY:

Will the Minister of **EXTERNAL AFFAIRS** be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Indian Council for Cultural Relations has requested the Central Government for the allotment of the house in Bombay which belonged to the late Mohammed Ali Jinnah; and

(b) if so, the action taken thereon?

THE MINISTER OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI P. V. NARASIMHA RAO): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The request is under consideration of the Government.

Danger of escalation of Afghan War

815. DR. G. VIJAYA MOHAN REDDY: Will the Minister of **EXTERNAL AFFAIRS** be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is a danger of the escalation of Afghan war because of Pakistan army's support to Afghan Mujahideen; and

(b) what active steps the Government of India propose to take for the establishment of peace in Afghanistan?

THE MINISTER OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI P. V. NARASIMHA RAO): (a) and (b) Continued inter-

ference in Afghanistan poses a threat to peace and stability in Afghanistan and in the region. Government of India have consistently been calling for strict implementation of the Geneva accords by all its signatories, and have been in touch with all concerned, including the UN Secretary General and the Chairperson of the Nonaligned Movement.

Shooting of film on the life of Phoolan Devi

816. SHRI BEKAL UTSABI:

DR. RATNAKAR PANDEY:

Will the Minister of **EXTERNAL AFFAIRS** be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Golden Harvest Film Company of Hongkong has sought permission of the Government of India for shooting a film in India on the life of Indian dacoit, Phoolan Devi; and

(b) if so, what are the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI P. V. NARASIMHA RAO): (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

Opening of Navodaya Vidyalayas

817. SHRI ASHOK NATH VERMA: Will the Minister of **HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT** be pleased to state:

(a) what are the details of Navodaya Vidyalayas to be opened during the Eighth Plan period;