

Settlement of refugees and foreigners in India

- ♦135. SHRI K. K. MADHAVAN:
SHRI S. W. DHABE:
SHRI NARASINGHA PRASAD
NANDA:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) what is the number of refugees and foreigners from Bangladesh, Pakistan, Nepal and other countries who have settled in India during the last three years; and

(b) what is the number amongst them who have applied for Indian citizenship?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI YOGENDRA MAKWANA): (a) and (b) As a matter of general policy Govt, do not encourage foreigners to settle in India. Exception was, however, made in the case of displaced persons from Pakistan, including the then East Pakistan. According to available information, approximately 32,600 displaced persons of Indian origin have been given settlement benefits during the last three years (1977-78 to 1979-80 both inclusive). Number of persons amongst them who might have applied for Indian citizenship is not known. However, a total of 23,691 foreigners were granted Indian citizenship during the calendar years 1977, 1978 and 1979.

Increase in prices of raw film

- ♦136. SHRI M. KALYANASUN-
DARAM: SHRI BHUPESH GUPTA:
SHRI YOGENDRA SHARMA:

Will the Minister of INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is a tangle between the Hindustan Photo Films and the Film industry over the increase in the prices of raw film by HPF;

(b) whether it is a fact that the film industry is not purchasing raw film from Hindustan Photo Films following this tangle; and

(c) if so, what are the details in this regard and what steps are being taken to resolve the problem?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY (SHRI CHARANJIT CHANANA): (a) to (c) Certain Film Producers have filed Writ Petitions in Madras High Court challenging the price increase effected by HPF in respect of Cine Colour Positive films. As this matter is *sub judice* it would not be appropriate, at this stage, to indicate any further details.

High powered transmitters recovered in Assam

- ♦137. SHRI BISHAMBHAR NATH
PANDE: DR. LOKESH
CHANDRA: SHRI ROSHAN LAL:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) what are the details of the high powered foreign transmitters recovered in Assam recently; and

(b) what are the countries of their manufacture?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI YOGENDRA MAKWANA): (a) and (b) On June 30, 1980, some forest labourers while clearing the Ripu reserve forest of Jamduar under Kachugaon Forest Division (Goalpara Distt.) found an abandoned transmitter set in a ruck-sack in the forest area, about 6 Kms. from Assam-Bhutan border. It was a portable type transmitter set of American make. The set was found to be in working order, but the Volt. Battery was found in damaged condition. The Forest Department of Bhutan informed IGP, Assam that their transmitter