

Censors. In addition, Government have suspended public exhibition of the films *Jadu Tona* (Hindi) and *The Exorcist* (English) pending further enquiry.

(e) Does not arise.

Indian nuclear scientists and engineers seeking job opportunities outside India

1751. SHRI M. KADERSHAH: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the Indian Nuclear scientists and engineers are disillusioned by the Government's nuclear policy and are looking forward for job opportunities outside India;

(b) whether it is also a fact that the work in many of the atomic units has been suspended; and

(c) if so, what remedial steps Government propose to take in this regard?

THE PRIME MINISTER (SHRI MORARJI DESAI): (a) No, Sir.

(b) No, Sir.

(c) Does not arise.

Issue of composite National Permits for heavy vehicles

1752. SHRI M. KADERSHAH: Will the Minister of SHIPPING AND TRANSPORT be pleased to state:

(a) what are the norms followed in giving composite national permits for heavy vehicles; and

(b) what is the number of such permits issued so far State-wise?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN CHARGE OF THE MINISTRY OF SHIPPING AND TRANSPORT (SHRI CHAND RAM): (a) The National Permits are issued by the State/Regional Transport Authorities keeping in view the matters specified in section 55 and section 63 of the Motor Vehicles Act, 1939 and also the following matters, namely:—

(i) the contribution of the applicants to movement of goods between the States in the interest of the public;

(ii) the experience of the applicants in the movement of goods on the basis of Regional, State and inter-State region permits;

(iii) in the case of grant of national permits to those holding inter-State permits, whether they have surrendered the required number of the latter permits so as to fall within the limits laid down in sub-section (13) of Section 63.

The Act also provides for preference to applicants who are ex-army personnel or who have valid licences for driving transport vehicles over others, as far as practicable, in the grant of these permits.

To avoid concentration of permits in the hands of big operators, the law also provide that no national permit will be issued to an individual owner, if he holds already 3 or more valid national or inter-State permits. The ceiling in the case of a company is seven.

(b) The number of national permits offered/issued by the State Governments and Union Territory Administrations according to information available in the Ministry, is given in the enclosed statement.

Statement

Number of National Permits issued by the State Governments upto 30-11-78 as available in the Ministry.

Name of State/Union Admin.	Number of permits offered/issued by the States
1. Andhra Pradesh	436
2. Assam	402
3. Bihar	450
4. Gujarat	411
5. Haryana	350
6. Himachal Pradesh	285
7. Jammu & Kashmir	300
8. Karnataka	393
9. Kerala	392
10. Madhya Pradesh	400
11. Maharashtra	429
12. Manipur	50
13. Meghalaya	50
14. Nagaland	50
15. Orissa	400
16. Punjab	400
17. Rajasthan	400
18. Sikkim	Motor Vehicles Act has not yet been extended.
19. Tamil Nadu	395
20. Tripura	50
21. Uttar Pradesh	250
22. West Bengal	449
23. A. & N. Islands	*
24. Arunachal Pradesh	1
25. Chandigarh	50
26. D. & N. Haveli	8
27. Delhi	225
28. Goa, Daman & Diu	104
29. Lakshadweep	*
30. Mizoram	Nil
31. Pondicherry	43

*No permits have been allotted to these areas.

Pension to the dependents of the detenues under the DIR and MISA

1753. SHRI M. KADERSHAH: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government propose to give any pension to the dependents of those who were held under the DIR and MISA during the emergency and died either in jail or within three months of their release from jail;

(b) if so, what is the number of such deceased persons, State-wise; and

(c) what is the amount of pension to be given to each dependent and by when the scheme will come into force?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI DHANIK LAL MANDAL):

(a) Yes, Sir. Two schemes for grant of monthly pension to dependents of MISA and DISIR detenues during the emergency who died during detention or within three months of their release are already under implementation with effect from 1-5-1977 and 4-6-1978 respectively.

(b) A statement giving the information is laid on the Table of the House.

(c) The amount of monthly pension varies from Rs. 200 to Rs. 300 depending on the number of dependents entitled to it. The scheme is already in force.