

(b) whether they have increased ; and

(c) what are the latest Statewise figures of *per-capita* income at current prices and also with base year 1969 ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PLANNING (SHRI MOHAN DHARIA) : (a) and (b) Planning Commission has not carried out any assessment of regional disparities.

(c) The latest figures of State *per capita* income as compiled by the State Governments are given in the Statement laid on the Table of the House. [See Appendix LXXXII, Annexure No. 13]

♦107. [Transferred to the 28th November, 1972.]

Ad Hoc EMPLOYEES IN CBNTKAL INFORMATION SERVICE

*108. SHRI N. R. CHOUDHURY : Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:

(a) the category-wise number of *ad-hoc* employees working in the C.I.S. ;

(b) whether Government propose to take steps to irregularise the services of the *ad-hoc* employees and confirm them in their posts taking into consideration their length of service ; and

(c) if not, the reason therefor ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (SHRI I. K. GUJRAL): (a) There are 78 *ad-hoc* employees in Grade IV of the C.I.S.

(b) and (c) Proposals for the continuance of these officers on a regular basis in the CIS, would be considered as part of the proposals for the reorganisation of the Service. These reorganisation proposals are at present pending because some of them relate to matters under consideration by the Third Pay Commission,

EXPERT COMMITTEE ON THE FINANCIAL STRUCTURE AND ALLIED ASPECTS OF THE NEWSPAPER INDUSTRY

♦109. SHRI SITARAM KESRI : SHRI K.L.N. PRASAD : SHRI SHYAMLAL GUPTA : SHRI BHOLA PRASAD : SHRI KOTA PUNNAIAH : MISS SAROJ PURUSHOTTAM KHAPARDE:

Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state :

(a) whether the expert committee on the industry financial structure and allied aspects of the newspaper industry has submitted its reports ;

(b) if so, the recommendations made therein ; and

(c) the steps taken to implement the same ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (SHRI I.K. GUJRAL) : (a) The Fact Finding Committee set up to enquire into the economics of the newspaper industry has not yet submitted its report.

(b) and (c) Do not arise.

REORGANISATION OF DIRECTORATE GENERAL OF TECHNICAL DEVELOPMENT

* 110. SHRI K. C. PANDA : SHRI DAHYABHAI V. PATEL: SHRI M. K. MOHTA : SHRI SUNDAR MANI PATEL : SHRI LOKANATH MISRA :

Will the Minister of INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT AND SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY be pleased to state :

(a) Whether Government have *. proposal to reorganise the Directorate General of Technical Development ;

(b) if so the details thereof ; and

(c) the reasons for reorganising the Directorate ?

THE MINISTER OF INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT AND SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY (SHRI C. SUBRAMANIAM) : (a) to (c) In order to deal with the increased develop-