GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF INFORMATION & BROADCASTING LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1582 TO BE ANSWERED ON 26.07.2018

DECLINE IN PRODUCTION OF PATRIOTIC FILMS

1582. SMT. NEELAM SONKER SHRI GOPAL SHETTY:

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

- (a) whether there has been a sharp decline in the production of patriotic films during the last five years.
- (b) if so, the details therefor.
- (c) the names of the patriotic films and languages in which the same have been produced during the said period with specific reference to such films produced by various Doordarshan Kendras.
- (d) whether the Government proposes to promote the making of patriotic films in the country and if so the details thereof.
- (e) Whether the National Films Division Department controls the film city.
- (f) If so, the assessment report of National Film Division during the said period and the criteria for control over the same, and
- (g) whether the excessive production of action films is casting adverse effect on the youth resulting in increase in crime graph in the country and if so the details thereof?

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) IN THE MINISTRY OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING ([COL. RAJYAVARDHAN RATHORE (Retd.)]

(a) to (d): During the last five years Films Division has produced six films (Language: English) on patriotic themes which are as under:

Sl.No	Film
1	Jyotindranath Mukherjee
2	Teerth of Peace
3	Mere Bapu
4	Hamare Bapu
5	Pandit Motilal Nehru
6	Sardar Vallabh Bhai Patel

In the year 2018-19, Films Division has proposed to produce the following films on Patriotic themes:-

i) Maharana Pratap,

ii)Tatya Tope

(iii) Life & Work of Dr. Babasaheb Ambedkar

(iv) Documentary film on different aspect of the personality and philosophy of Gandhiji

(v) 10 minute animation film on Gandhiji with the proposed title " Mahatma – The life style Guru"

(vi) Co- production of 3 minute film "Mahatma Gandhi as seen through the eyes of children" with Children's Film Society, India, Mumbai

Films based on the theme of patriotism are telecast on from time to time by Doordarshan. So far 42 patriotic films have been telecast by various DD kendras in the last three years including the current year.

(e) & (f) No, The Film city, also known as Dadasaheb Phalke Chitranagari, Mumbai, is under the control of Maharashtra Film, Stage & Cultural Development corporation Limited(A Government of Maharashtra Undertaking).

(g) As per the guidelines of certification of films for public exhibition, the Board of Film Certification shall ensure that anti-social activities such as violence are not glorified or justified, pointless or avoidable scenes of violence, cruelty and horror scenes of violence are primarily intended to provide entertainment and such scenes as may have the effect of desensitizing or dehumanizing people are not shown.
