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Amnesty International Reports of India

- 26., SHRI SANJAY DALMIA Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:
- (a) whether Government had received any report of Amnesty International pertaining to India; and
- (b) if so, the salient features thereof and the reaction of Government thereto?

THE MINISTER OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI I.K. GUJRAL): (a) Yes,

(b) Amnesty International brings out a report every year on the human rights situation in various countries. The 1995 report includes a section on India which, inter alia, includes a range of general allegations of human rights violations, in Jammu & Kashmir and Punjab. Government of India examines and responds to all Amnesty International reports.

Upgradation of State Highways to National Highways in Andhra Pradesh

- 27. DR. D. VENKATESHWAR RAO: Minister of SURFACE the TRANSPORT be pleased to state:
- (a) whether the State Government of Andhra Pradesh had submitted 9 proposals covering a length of 4,812 k.m. to the Union Ministry vide letter No. 1612 (Rll) (2)/91-3 Dt: 24.2.1992 for upgradation of state highways to National Highways;
- (b) if so, whether out of these proposals, Government of India sanctioned state highways from Kurnool to Chitoor to a length of 362 kms as N+18 in January 1993;

- (c) the fate of the other proposals;
- (d) to what extent the work on the approved highways have been completed; and
- (e) by when all proposals are likely to be acceped and work on these is likely to be started?

the Minister of surface transport (shri t.g. venkat- RAMAN): (a) Yes, Sir.

- (b) Yes, Sir.
- (c) Owing to limited availability of funds for the development of National Highways during the 8th Plan, it has not been possible to accept the proposals.
- (d) Improvement of National Highways is a continues process and on N+18, improvement works aggregating to Rs. 7.2 crores have been sanctioned since its declaration and are at various stages of progress.
- (e) In view of (c) above, it is difficult to indicate a time frame.

Improving Indo-Pak Relations

28. SHRI JANARDHANA POOJARY: SHRIMATI JAYANTI PATNAIK:

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

- (a) whether Government propose to improve Indo-Pak relations by holding Secretary/Minister level talks with Pakistan;
- (b) if so, the proposal mooted by Government in this regard;