

(c) the number, designation and length of service of the IAF officials whose services have been terminated and the reasons therefor and the details of terminal benefits given to them;

(d) whether Government have considered the interests of the country from the security point of view before terminating the services of these officials; and

(e) if so, what are the details in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF DEFENCE (SHRI MALLIKARJUN): (a) No, Sir. No Air Force personnel has been sacked due to paucity of funds.

(b) to (e) Do not arise.

रोहतांग दर्रे पर सुरंग सम्बन्धी रिपोर्ट

1960. श्री महेश्वर सिंह : क्या प्रधान मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या हिमाचल प्रदेश में रोहतांग दर्रे पर प्रस्तावित सुरंग के प्रथम चरण से संबंधित अध्ययन रिपोर्ट मैसर्स राइट्स से प्राप्त हो गई है ; और

(ख) यदि हाँ, तो उसका ज्यौरा क्या है; सुरंग के मुख्य प्रवेश द्वार तक पहुँचने के लिए बनाई जा रही सड़कों से संबंधित अध्ययन की स्थिति क्या है?

रक्षा मंत्रालय में राज्य मंत्री (श्री मल्लिकार्जुन) : (क) जी नहीं।

(ख) प्रश्न नहीं उठता। प्रस्तावित सुरंग के दक्षिण ओर उत्तर के प्रवेश द्वारों तक पहुँचने वाली सड़कों को क्रमशः जून, 1991 और अक्टूबर, 1991 में पूरा कर लिया गया था और इसमें व्यवहार्यता अध्ययन के उद्देश्य से याता-यात को प्रतिबंधित कर दिया गया है।

Romanian offer on Supply of Spares for MIG-21

1961. SHRI SURESH KALMADI :

SHRI GOVINDRAO ADIK :

Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that Government of Romania has offered to supply spare

parts of Soviet made MIG aircraft and other Defence equipments to India ; and

(b) if so, what is Government's reaction thereto ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF DEFENCE (SHRI MALLIKARJUN) : (a) Certain offers have been received from Romania for supply of spares.

(b) These offers are being evaluated.

Revamping of offshore Patrol vessels by Indian Navy

1962. SHRI SURESH KALMADI :
SHRI GOVINDRAO ADIK :

Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that the Indian Navy plans to revamp its entire fleet of smaller offshore Patrol vessels which have been extensively used on the West coast following the Bombay blasts ; and

(b) if so, what are the details for the proposed revamping ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF DEFENCE (SHRI MALLIKARJUN) : (a) No, Sir.

(b) Keeping in view the maritime interests of the country, and in consonance with the long term perspective plan as well as the annual plans, induction of smaller as well as large ships into the Navy is done depending upon the need as also the availability of budgetary resources.

Entry of HAL into civil aviation market

1963. SHRI KAMAL MORARKA :
Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that the Hindustan Aeronautics Limited has an ambitious diversification plan in a bid to venture into the civil aviation market ;

(b) if so, whether the HAL has a tie-up with a leading South Korean firm in this regard ;

(c) if so, the details thereof ;

(d) by when the HAL is likely to enter the civil aviation market ; and