

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF INTERNAL SECURITY (SHRI ARUN NEHRU):

(a) Yes.

(b) No. During the last one year (from 1-1-1985 to 31-12-85) 4 fatal accidents occurred in this area.

(c) The Delhi Traffic Police is taking the following steps to minimise road accidents:—

- (1) Data on accidents is collected and analysed and accident-prone junctions are identified.
- (2) Maximum speed limits for various types of vehicles have been specified for different roads. Speed checking by the radar is done and offenders are prosecuted.
- (3) Road safety education is imparted to School Children and general road users by Audio Visual and exhibition methods.

Reported Corruption in the Mazagon Docks Ltd.

1820. SHRI MUKHTIAR SINGH MALIK:

SHRI SHANKER SINH VAGHELA:

Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government's attention has been drawn to the news item which appeared in the Blitz of 28th December, 1985 regarding mass-scale corruption in the Mazagon Docks, Bombay in the matter of assigning contracts;

(b) whether there have also been cases of large scale pilferage of dock property.

(c) whether Government propose to inquire into the matter; and

(d) if so, what are the details of action taken by Government in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF DEFENCE PRODUCTION AND DEFENCE SUPPLIES (SHRI SUKH RAM): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) Pilferage of off-shore stores worth approximately Rs. 10 lakhs has been reported.

(c) and (d) The issues raised in the press reports have been looked into by the Government and except the allegation relating to the pilferage, others have been found to be of no substance. The Management has taken action against those responsible. The case is also under investigation by the local police. Government have also restructured the top management to improve the overall performance of the undertaking.

Setting up of a Defence University in the country

1821. SHRI MUKHTIAR SINGH MALIK: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is any proposal under Government's consideration to set up a defence university in the country;

(b) if so, what are the broad outlines thereof;

(c) whether any site has been selected and funds allocated for this purpose; and

(d) by when it is likely to start functioning?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF DEFENCE RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT (SHRI ARUN SINGH): (a) to (d) A Study Group had recommended establishment of a Defence University. However, with the setting up of the Indira Gandhi National Open University, it is expected that the needs of Defence Personnel would be catered to through correspondence courses and contract programmes.