

Consideration of demands of employees is a continuous process in every organisation. Many of the demands made by the employees of the Kendriya Vidyalaya Sangathan have been considered by the Sangathan in the past and accepted to the extent possible. Some of the demands are under consideration.

#### Supply of drinking water to South Delhi Areas

381. SHRI VISHVAJIT PRITHVIJIT SINGH: Will the Minister of WORKS AND HOUSING be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that about 500 unauthorized constructions on D.D.A. land in the trans-Yamuna area is the cause of the delay in the completion of water pipe lines to supply drinking water to the South Delhi areas; and

(b) if so, what action Government propose to take in this regard?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF WORKS AND HOUSING (SHRI MOHAMMED USMAN ARIF): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The Delhi Development Authority has reported that necessary action is being taken to clear the unauthorised jhuggies.

#### Unemployed seamen

382. SHRI VISHVAJIT PRITHVIJIT SINGH: Will the Minister of SHIPPING AND TRANSPORT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that 10,000 registered seamen in Calcutta and 25,000 in Bombay are jobless for the last four years;

(b) if so, what are the reasons for their unemployment; and

(c) what steps Government propose to take in the matter?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SHIPPING AND TRANSPORT (SHRI Z. R. ANSARI):

(a) and (b) No, Sir. There are, how-

ever, a number of seamen waiting for employment on rotational basis in Calcutta and Bombay. This is primarily due to the fact that British ship-owners and foreign flag vessels have reduced the in-take of Indian crew. This position has been further aggravated due to the prevailing recession in the shipping industry all over the world.

(c) The Government has already appointed an expert committee under the Chairmanship of Admiral S. M. Nanda (Retired) to examine the question of unemployment among the Indian seamen. Besides this, the Government is also holding serious discussions with shipowners and the representatives of seafarers to look into their problems with a view to finding a solution.

#### Reported secret passage into National Library, Calcutta

383. SHRI KALYAN ROY:  
SHRI LADLI MOHAN  
NIGAM:

Will the Minister of EDUCATION AND CULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government's attention has been drawn to the news "National Library's Secret Passage" in the Statesman of 6th April, 1983 regarding discovery of a secret passage in the Library at Calcutta; if so, the details thereof and the action Government propose to take;

(b) whether Government have received a representation from the "Library authorities" for C.B.I. enquiry into the matter;

(c) if so, action Government propose to take in the matter;

(d) what are the details of irregularities noticed by the Officer on Special Duty in the Library; and

(e) the details of steps taken against employees found to have taken away the third edition of Bankim Chatterji's *Anand Math* etc?