

SHRI SHIVA CHANDRA

JHA: SHRI PILOO

MODY:

Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are aware of the substantial progress made by Pakistan to produce atomic bomb and other communication system;

(b) what is Government's information about the extent of Military aid; Pakistan is expected to receive from the U.S.A.; and

(c) whether Government have brought to the notice of other democratic countries in the world about the dangers involved in arming a military regime; and

(d) if not, what steps Government propose to take to ensure that this military might is not used against India?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF DEFENCE (SHRI SHIVRAJ V. PATIL): (a) Government have seen various press reports about Pakistan's efforts to acquire uranium enrichment and nuclear fuel reprocessing capabilities which may enable her eventually to detonate a nuclear device.

(b) Available information suggests that discussions are currently under way between the Governments of USA and Pakistan on the grant of fresh military and economic assistance by USA to Pakistan. These discussions have not yet reached finality.

(c) Government of India are in consultation with a large number of countries over the reported US moves to induct large quantities of arms into Pakistan.

(d) While Government have taken appropriate action at the diplomatic level, our defence preparedness is periodically reviewed and updated in the light of developing situation around us,

M/s. Parle Bottling Co. (P) Ltd.

401. SHRI J. K. JAIN:

SHRI SAT PAUL MITTAL: SHRIMATI AMARJIT KAUR: SHRI BIPINPAL DAS: SHRI DHARMAVIR: SHRI KALP NATH RAI: SHRI BALRAM DAS-SHRI MAHENDRA MOHAN

MISHRA.-SHRI SANTOSH KUMAR

SAHU: SHRIMATI SAROJ KHA. PARDE: SHRI ROSHAN LAL: SHRI NARENDRA SINGH-SHRIMATI MANORMA

PANDEY: SHRI BUDDHA PRIYA

MAURYA: SHRI (MOLANA) ASRARUL

HAQ: SHRI PIARE LALL KUREEL

URF PIARE LALL TALIB

UNNAVI-

Will the Minister of INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that M/s. Parle Bottling Co. (P) Ltd. is a registered unit for manufacture of crown corks in Bombay.

(b) whether Government are aware that they have stopped production of the above item;

(c) if so, whether the firm have reported any production during the last three years, i.e., 1978-79, 1979-80 and 1980-81;

(d) whether the Company has sought any permission to shift their machinery from Bombay to Faridabad by setting up a new factory in the name of Crown Corks (P) Ltd.;

(e) whether Government have given the permission; if so, when;

(f) whether it is also a fact that cases of violation of Import Trade Control Act 1947 and IDR Act have been framed against the above company;

(g) whether any steps are being taken by Government to confiscate the goods and impose penalty on the Company; and

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

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY (SHRI CHARANJIT CHANANA): (a) to (h) No firm in the name and style of M/s. Parle Bottling Co. Pvt. Ltd., was registered with Directorate General of Technical Development for manufacture of Crown Corks in Bombay. However a Company in the name and style of M/s. Parle Crown Corks Manufacturing Co. was registered with them in March 1967 for manufacture of Crown Corks. This unit reported production upto June, 1971. Similarly, no Company in the name and style of M/s. Crown Corks Pvt. Ltd., Faridabad, is registered with DGTD. However, a Company in the name and style of M/s. Crown Caps Pvt. Ltd., was registered in December 1971 for manufacture of Crown Corks and this unit reported production upto March, 1977. As per record of the Government, this unit was to be established with fresh investment on land, building and machinery.

For violation of Import Trade Control Act by M/s. Parle Bottling Co. (P) Ltd., the matter is sub-judice.

Settlement of Assam issue

42. SHRI K. P. SALVE: SHRI K. L. PRASAD,

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) the progress made during the last three months for settlement of the Assam issue; and

(b) the steps Government propose to take in this regard including the resumption of talks with Assam agitation leader, of AH Assam Students Union and the Gana Sangram Parishad?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS

(SHRI YOGENDRA MAKWANA): (a) and (b) Government are most anxious to find a solution acceptable to all concerned on the foreigners' issue in Assam and are continuing their efforts in this direction. Assam Government has been asked to inform the agitation leaders that talks can be held in the 2nd week of May in Delhi on a mutually convenient date.

Police Commissioner system in capital

403. SHRIMATI HAMIDA HABIB-ULLAH; SHRIMATI RATAN KUMARI:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether any proposal to abolish Police Commissioner system in the capital is under consideration of Government; and

(b) if so, what are the details thereof and what are the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI YOGENDRA MAKWANA): (a) There is no proposal as yet.

(b) Does not arise.

Procurement of production of nuclear weapon ..

404. SHRI N. P. CHENGALRAYA NAIDU: SHRIMATI AMARJIT KAUR; SHRI RAMANAND YADAV; SHRI SATYA PAL MALIK:

Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether in view of the US proposal to provide nuclear weapons, know-how and resources to Pakistan, even by modifying the non-proliferation treaty for the purpose. Government of India has reviewed their nuclear policy; and

(b) if so, whether Government propose to go in for procurement or production of nuclear weapons, including hydrogen bomb, if so, what are the details thereof?