

†[THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF DEFENCE (SHRI SHIVRAJ V. PATIL): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) No difficulty is being experienced in providing free rations to the entitled persons in the Army. All Junior Commissioned Officers and Other Ranks as well as such officers as are serving in field concenssional areas are being provided with free rations.]

Pak Reinforcement in Border Areas

2643. SHRI NARASINGH NARAIN PANDEY: Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Pakistan in collusion with friendly countries are trying again to reinforce in many ways on the Border areas; if so the details thereof;

(b) whether Government are also aware that Pakistan Government is also trying to purchase Military weapons from European countries; if so the details thereof; and

(c) the names of the countries from which the purchases are to be made?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF DEFENCE (SHRI SHIVRAJ V. PATIL): (a) There are no credible reports to suggest that Pakistan by itself or in collusion with other countries has been carrying out any unusual reinforcement of troops along the border areas with India.

(b) and (c) Pakistan is known to procuring military weapons from a number of countries including U.K. and France. It will not be desirable to disclose details.

विमान ईंधन का मूल्य

2644. श्री नागेश्वर प्रसाद शाही : क्या रक्षा मन्त्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) 1 जनवरी से 31 अगस्त, 1980 की अवधि के दौरान बरेली (उत्तर प्रदेश) के सैनिक हवाई अड्डे से यदि कोई विमान ईंधन (पेट्रोल) चोरी हो गया है तो उसकी मात्रा और मूल्य क्या है ;

(ख) क्या उक्त चोरी में इण्डियन आयल कम्पनी के कर्मचारी या सैनिक कार्मिक या दोनों ही शामिल हैं; और

(ग) यदि हां, तो भविष्य में ऐसी चोरी रोकने के लिए क्या कदम उठाए गए हैं ?

†[Cost of aviation fuel

2644. SHRI NAGESHWAR PRASAD SHAHI: Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

(a) what is the quantity and cost of aviation fuel (petrol) if any, pilfered from the Military Aerodrome of Bareilly (U.P.) during the period from 1st January to 31st August, 1980;

(b) whether the employees of Indian Oil Company or the military personnel or both are involved in the said pilferage; and

(c) if so, what steps have been taken to prevent such pilferage in future?]

रक्षा मंत्रालय में राज्य मंत्री (श्री शिवराज वी. पाटिल) : (क) इस अवधि के दौरान वायु सेना स्टेशन बरेली