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SHRI MORARJI R. DESAI: They can take it away if they want to...

(Interruptions.)

MR. CHAIRMAN; Next question. No. 759.

SHRI NRIPATI RANJAN CHOUDHURY: What about Question No. 758?

MR. CHAIRMAN: That has been transferred to the 23rd.

*758. [Transferred to the 23rd December, 1977.]

Meeting between the Mizo National Front and Rebel Mizo National Army

*759. SHRI HIMMAT SINH:
SHRI NRIPATI RANJAN
CHOUDHURY:†
SHRI HARSH DEO MALAVIYA:

Will the Minister of HOME AF-FAIRS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Government are aware of a meeting stated to have been held recently at Aizawl between the commanders of the rebel 'Mizo National Army' and the Mizo National Front for considering peace proposals; and
- (b) whether Shri Laldenga, the M_{1ZO} rebel chief, has placed before Government some proposals for the final settlement of the Mizo problem after the aforesaid meeting?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI DHANIK LAL MANDAL): (a) Government have seen reports to this effect.

(b) Talks for implementation of the 1st July, 1976 Understanding reached with Shri Laldenga have been continuing and are progressing satisfatorily.

†The question was actually asked on the floor of the House by Shri Nripati Ranjan Choudhury. SHRI NRIPATI RANJAN CHOUDHURY: Sir, the Press reports say that in October last the 'Mizo National Army' and the Mizo National Frontleaders met at Aizawl to consider these proposals. It is also reported that they are considering certain modifications to the earlier proposals. Has the Government received any modified proposals from them? If so, what are the details thereof?

SHRI DHANIK LAL MANDAL They met there. We are aware of that. But I am not in a position to disclose the discussions that are taking place now. But I can assure the hon. Member and the House that the talks are progressing satisfactorily.

SHRI NRIPATI RANJAN CHOU-DHURY: It is also reported in the Press that prior to this October meeting of the 'Mizo National Army' and the Mizo National Front, some public bodies took initiative in bringing peace in Mizoram and it is also reported that since the Central Government and these two organisations were directly negotiating in the matter they were not going to take fresh initiatives. I want to know whether these public organisations which were taking initiative in bringing peace in Mizoram have stopped working, or the Government is also seeing to it that these organisations remain active

SHRI DHANIK LAL MANDAL: These organisations have decided to eschew violence, and they are discussing with us. I can assure the hon-Member and the House that the peace talks are progressing well and there will be peace very soon.

SHRI HARSH DEO MALAVIYA: Is the Government aware that Mr. Laldenga, leader of the Mizos, has sent his son and his ADC, Maj. Taniva, from Aizawl to various Mizo groups in certain places? He has asked them to get ready to surrender their arms and the Government of India has been requested to select certain places and centres where Mizo rebels can come and surrender their arms. Is it a fact?

Is it also a fact that some Mizo rebels have not agreed to the proposals? At least a group of 50 hard core rebels are on their way to China via tht hills of Burma. If so, what are you going to do to stop them?

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MR. CHAIRMAN: You will have to say whether these are facts or not.

SHRI DHANIK LAL MANDAL: As I told the House, Sir, this is one of the conditions of that agreement that the rebels will come out in the open and surrender the arms. That is progressing. As regards the people who have gone to Burma and other places, we have no information.

SHRI IRENGBAM TOMPOK SINGH: Sir, the Mizo problem and the Naga problem are headaches. I want to know specifically from the Government whether the present Government is contemplating to have an overall accord just like the Shillong accord of Naga underground and Government of India with Laldenga group and others and whether the Government is going to have a little departure from the previous Congress Government's stand in view of the latest developments taking place in this area.

MR. CHAIRMAN: Please repeat.

श्री इरेंगबम टम्पोक सिंह : मैं कहना यह चाहता हूं कि शिलांग एकार्ड के बारे में, नागा श्रीर मिजो रिबेल के संबंध में— क्योंकि मेरे पुराने दोस्त हिन्दी चाहते हैं—— I am speaking in broken Hindi.

तो जिलांग के एकार्ड की तरह मीजो रिबेल लोगों के साथ एकार्ड करने में गवर्नमेंट ग्राफ इंडिया की क्या राय है? ग्रौर क्या वे जिलांग की तरह एकार्ड करने को तैयार हैं?

श्री मोरारजी भ्रार० देसाई : इन दोनों का कम्पैरीजन हो ही नहीं सकता । इन दोनों का कम्पैरीजन ही नहीं करना चाहिए। श्री इरेंगबम टम्पोक सिंह : दोनों का कम्पैरीजन जरूरी है ।

MR CHAIRMAN: But the Government say that it is not necessary. What can you do? You wanted a reply and you have got it.

विश्व बैक टोम द्वारा भारतीय कपड़ा उद्योग का पुनरीक्षण

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क्या उद्योग मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि:

- (क) क्या विश्व वैंक की एक टीम ने हाल में देश की कपड़ा मिलों की ग्राधिक स्थिति ग्रौर कार्यकरण का गुनरीक्षण किया था ; ग्रौर
- (ख) यदि हां, तो इस संबंध मे टीम द्वारा प्रस्तुत किये गयं प्रतिवेदन में निहित निष्कर्ष श्रौंर सिफारिश क्या है ?

#[Review of the Indian textile industry by the World Bank team

*760. SHRI PREM MANOHAR: †
SHRI NAGESHWAR PRA:
SAD SHAHI:
SHRI BHOLA PASWAN
SHASTRI:
SHRI NATHI SINGH:

Will the Minister of INDUSTRY bepleased to state:

(a) whether a World Bank team has recently reviewed the economic conditions and the working of the textile mills in the country; and

[†]The question was actually asked on the floor of the House by Shri Prem. Manohar.

t[] English translation.