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Spying activities in an Ashram Premises near Thumba Space Research Centre

827. SHRIMATI MAIMOONA SULTAN: SHRIMATI KUMUDBEN: MANISHANKER JOSHI: SHRI SAT PAUL MITTAL: SHRI SYED AHMAD HASHMI: SHRI SWAMI DINESH CHANDRA:

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

(a) whether it is a fact that an Ashram located at Malakar Chengamuollar near Thumba Space Research Centre, Trivandrum is frequently visited by foreign nationals; and

(b) whether it is also a fact that a raid was conducted in the Ashram premises on the 7th July, 1977 to find out the involvement of the Ashram in espionage activities; if so, with what results?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI DHANIK LAL MANDAL): (a) There is no such Ashram near the Thumba Space Research Centre, Trivandrum. An Ashram named "Ananda Vadi" exists at Nangiareth Malakkara in Chengannur (Alleppey District) 150 Kilometers away from Trivandrum. The Ashram is visited by foreigners for religious purposes.

(b) On the June 1977, a search was conducted at the residential premises of Shri K. Padmanabhan Menon who is presently in charge of the Ashram. The search was not in connection with alleged espionage activity.

सोवियत संघ द्वारा भारी पानी की सप्लाई

828 श्री रामानन्व यादवः श्री नरेन्द्र सिंहः श्वी ग्रहमद होसेन मन्डलः श्रीनत्थी सिंहः

क्या प्रवान मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या तारापुर संयंत्न को भारी पानी की सप्लाई करने के लिये भारत और से विस्त संघ की सरकारों के बीच किसी करार पर हस्ताक्षर हये हैं;

(ख) क्या इस सम्बन्ध में सोवियत संघ की सरकार ने कोई शत लगाई हैं; स्रोर

(ग) यदि हां, तो उनका ब्यौरा क्या है ?

†[Supply of heavy water by U.S.S.R.

828. SHRI RAMANAND YADAV: SHRI NARENDRA SINGH: SHRI AHMAD HOSSAIN MONDAL: SHRI NATHI SINGH:

Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether any agreement for the supply of heavy water to the Tarapur Plant has been signed between the Governments of India and the U.S.S.R.;

(b) whether any conditions have been imposed by the Government of U.S.S.R. in this regard; and

(c) if so, what are the details thereof?]

प्रधान मंत्री (श्री मोरारजी द्वार॰ देसाई): (क) जी, नहीं।

(ख) ग्रौर (ग) प्रश्न ही नहीं उठते ।

†[THE PRIME MINISTER (SHRI MORARJI R. DESAI): (a) No, Sir.

(b) and (c) Do not arise.]

†[]English translation.

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