

कच्चातिवू द्वीपसमूह के सम्बन्ध में भारत भी लंका करार

296. श्री श्री प्रकाश त्यागी :

श्री वीरेन्द्र कुमार सखलेचा :

क्या विदेश मंत्री 22 फरवरी, 1974 को राज्य सभा में अतिरिक्त प्रश्न संख्या 141 के दिये गये उत्तर को देखेंगे और यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि श्रीलंका के साथ कच्चातिवू द्वीप समूह के प्रश्न को सुलझाने में अब तक क्या प्रगति हुई है ?

Indo-Sri Lanka Agreement on Kachchativu Islands

296. SHRI O.P. TYAGI:

SHRI V.K. SAKHLECHA:

Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to refer to the answer to Unstarred Question 141 given in the Rajya Sabha on the 22nd February, 1974 and state the progress so far made in resolving the Kachchativu Island question with Sri Lanka?]

विदेश मंत्रालय में राज्य मंत्री (श्री सुरेन्द्र पाल सिंह) : कच्चातिवू के प्रश्न पर भारत और श्रीलंका की सरकारों के बीच अब भी बातचीत हो रही है। जैसा कि माननीय सदस्यों को ज्ञात होगा, भारत और श्रीलंका दोनों ने इस मामले को मैत्रीपूर्ण सहयोग की भावना से निपटाने की अपनी इच्छा व्यक्त की है।

[THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI SURENDRA PAL SINGH): The question of Kachchativu continues to be the subject of discussion between the governments of India and Sri Lanka. As the Hon'ble Members will be aware, both India and Sri Lanka have expressed their desire to resolve this matter in a spirit of friendly cooperation.]

†[] English translation.

Bangladesh Division in the External Affairs Ministry

297. SHRI DHARAMCHAND JAIN:

SHRI ROSHAN LAL:

Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) the number of officials working in the Bangladesh Division of the Ministry of External Affairs;

(b) whether there is any Bengali speaking official in the Division; and

(c) if not, what are the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI SURENDRA PAL SINGH) (a) 47.

(b) Yes, Sir, two officials speak Bengali.

(c) Does not arise.

Supply of coal through pipelines

298. SHRI VITHAL GADGIL:

SHRI K.B. CHETTRI.

Will the Minister of STEEL AND MINES be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government propose to consider the feasibility of transporting coal through pipelines in heavy consumption areas, and

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

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF STEEL AND MINES. (SHRI SUBODH HANSDA): (a) and (b) The possibility of having pipelines transportation of coal is under study.

299. [Transferred to the 7th May, 1974].

Scarcity of foodgrains in mining areas

300. SHRI KALYAN ROY: Will the Minister of STEEL AND MINES be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have received any representation from the Joint Negotiating Committee on the coal industry regarding serious scarcity of food-grains in the