

हाजी पीर क्षेत्र में पाकिस्तान का आक्रमण

388. श्री सुरज प्रसाद : क्या रक्षा मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या यह सच है की 3 सितम्बर, 1972 को हाजी पीर क्षेत्र में पाकिस्तानियों ने भारतीय सेना की एक बटालियन को घेर कर उस पर आक्रमण कर दिया था, और

(ख) यदि हा, तो इस आक्रमण के फलस्वरूप जनधन की कितनी हानि हुई ?

[PAK ATTACK IN HAJI PIR AREA

388 SHRI SURAJ PRASAD. Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state.

(a) whether it is a fact that the Pakistanis had encircled and attacked a battalion of Indian Army in Haji Pir areas on the 3rd September, 1972, and

(b) if so, the loss of life and property suffered as a result of this attack?

रक्षा मंत्री (श्री जगजीवन राम) :

(क) जी नहीं, श्रीमन् ।

(ख) प्रश्न नहीं उठता ।

[THE MINISTER OF DEFENCE (SHRI JAGJIVAN RAM): (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.]

STRIKE BY WORKERS OF PREMIER AUTOMOBILES

389. SHRI SURAJ PRASAD:

SHRI S. D. MISRA:

SHRI C. D. PANDE:

SHRI VIRENDRA PATIL:

SHRI MAHAVIR TYAGI:

SHRI GANESHI LAL CHAUDHARY:

SHRI BANARSI DAS.

SHRI PATIL PUTTAPPA:

SHRI NAWAL KISHORE

Will the Minister of LABOUR AND REHABILITATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the workers of the Premier Automobiles have been laid off from September 4, 1972;

(b) if so, what is the reason therefor, and

(c) what steps Government are taking to help the workers and lift the lay off?

THE MINISTER OF LABOUR AND REHABILITATION (SHRI R. K. KHANDILKAR): (a) to (c) The matter falls in the State sphere.

FAULTY CONSUMER PRICE INDEX

390. SHRI MANORANJAN ROY: Will the Minister of LABOUR AND REHABILITATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government's attention have been drawn to the demands made by the major trade unions in West Bengal, demanding the setting up of a non-official expert committee to probe the faulty basis of calculation of the consumer price index

(b) if so, the details thereof, and

(c) the reaction of Government thereto?

THE MINISTER OF LABOUR AND REHABILITATION (SHRI R. K. KHANDILKAR): (a) Yes.

(b) and (c) The matter is receiving attention.

I. C. B. M. TEST BY CHINA

391. DR. BHAI MAHAVIR.

SHRI D. THENGARI:

SHRI V. K. SAKHLECHA

SHRI J. P. YADAV:

SHRI RATTAN LAI JAIN:

SHRI O. P. TYAGI:

SHRI MAN SINGH VARMA:

SHRI K. P. SINGH DEO:

SHRI V. R. MOHAN:

SHRI G. GOPINATHAN NAIR:
SHRI SHYAMLAL GUPTA:

Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government's attention has been drawn to the news item appearing in the Indian Express of the 1st September 1972 about the proposed ICBM tests by China; and

(b) if so, what is the information available with Government in this respect?

THE MINISTER OF DEFENCE (SHRI JAGJIVAN RAM): (a) and (b) Government are aware of the press report. Although there are reports about the possibility of China test firing an ICBM over the Indian sub continent into the Indian ocean, there is no authentic information about this.

INDIANS' ENTRY INTO BRITAIN

392. SHRI SALIL KUMAR GANGULI:
SHRI SUHRID MULLICK CHOU-
DHURY:

Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state.

(a) whether it is a fact that people going from India to Britain are being subjected to great harassment by the immigration officials of that country, and

(b) if so, what action Government propose to take in this matter?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI SURENDRA PAL SINGH): (a) Some harassment is being faced by people going from India to Britain at the hands of immigration officials of the U.K.

(b) Government have taken up the matter with the British authorities on a number of occasions and hope that, as a result of their demarches, treatment accorded to visitors from India on arrival at ports of entry in the UK would improve.

TISCO FOR JOINT SECTOR ११३

393. SHRI BHOLA PRASAD:
SHRI YOGENDRA SHARMA:

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

(a) whether it is a fact that Tatas have offered Tata Iron and Steel Co. for joint sector; and

(b) if so, what is the reaction of Government thereto?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF STEEL AND MINES (SHRI SHAH NAWAZ KHAN): (a) and (b) Tatas have made certain proposals for expansion of steel making capacity at Jamshedpur and these are under consideration.

APPLICATIONS FOR GRANT OF LICENCES FOR MINI STEEL PLANTS

394. SHRI BHOLA PRASAD: Will the Minister of STEEL AND MINES be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that 120 applications have been received for the grant of licences for the mini-steel plants; and

(b) if so, the reaction of Government regarding the grant of licences?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF STEEL AND MINES (SHRI SHAH NAWAZ KHAN): (a) and (b) 104 applications, including some which were rejected earlier, for setting up of scrap based units for the manufacture of steel ingots/billets in electric furnaces are being examined, keeping in view the need to encourage dispersal of the industry; preference to public sector/joint sector units, units going to backward districts, and to the smaller entrepreneurs; economic scale of production and similar factors.

DETERIORATING CONDITIONS OF TISCO

395. SHRI YOGENDRA SHARMA: Will the Minister of STEEL AND MINES be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the condition of the TISCO is going from bad to