

is likely to reduce the marketability of tea and resulting in heavy loss by the industry ; and

(c) if so, whether Government propose to withdraw the said directive ?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF FOREIGN TRADE/  
विदेश व्यापार मंत्रालय में उप-मंत्री (SHRI A. C. GEORGE) : (a) No, Sir.

(b) and (c) Do not arise.

हिन्दी नामों के प्रयोग के बारे में तमिलनाडु के मुख्य मंत्री का वक्तव्य

907. श्री राम सहाय : क्या गृह मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या सरकार का ध्यान तमिलनाडु के मुख्य मंत्री के हाल के उस वक्तव्य की ओर दिलाया गया है जिसमें हिन्दी नामों के प्रयोग से संबंधित राष्ट्रपति की अधिसूचना को चुनौती दी गई है ; और

(ख) यदि हाँ, तो इस पर सरकार की क्या प्रतिक्रिया है ?

[TAMIL NADU CHIEF MINISTER ON THE USE OF HINDI NOMENCLATURE

907. SHRI RAM SAHAI : Will the Minister/गृह मंत्री please be pleased to state :

(a) whether Government's attention has been drawn to the recent statement of the Chief Minister of Tamil Nadu challenging the President's Notification regarding the use of Hindi nomenclature ; and

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

गृह मंत्रालय में राज्य मंत्री (श्री राम निवास मिश्र) : (क) जी हाँ थोड़ा ।

(ख) सरकार ने आदेश जारी किया है कि सभी सरकारी कागज पत्रों में महिला तथा मन्त्रालयों/विभागों के पदनाम अंग्रेजी तथा रामन लिपि में लिखित हिन्दी नामों ही अपाठ्य माने जाएँ ।

1[THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS/  
गृह मंत्रालय में राज्य मंत्री (SHRI RAM NIWAS

MIRDHA) : (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) Government have issued orders that the designation of the Ministers and Ministries/Departments should be shown both in English and in Hindi in Roman script in all official papers.]

#### IMPORT OF GRAPHITE

908. SHRI M. V. BHADRAM : Will the Minister of FOREIGN TRADE/fat\*TaTTN\* \*(Wt be pleased to state :

(a) the quantity of Graphite, required as raw material for crucible manufacturing, imported during the year 1970-71 ; and

(b) whether it was canalised through S.T.C. ?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF FOREIGN TRADE/fatf व्यापार मंत्रालय में उप-मंत्री (SHRI A. C. GEORGE) : (a) During the period April to October, 1970, for which detailed statistics are available, natural graphite of a value of Rs. 10 lakhs approximately was imported into India. This included graphite for the manufacture of crucibles as well as other uses.

(b) Yes, Sir. However, even after 1-4-70, the date of canalisation, imports were effected by parties holding licences issued before canalisation.

#### BENGALI BROADCAST FOR ALL INDIA RADIO, DELHI AND CALCUTTA

909. SHRI SASANKASEKHAR SAN-YAL : Will the Minister of INFORMA-TION AND BROADCASTING, सूचना और प्रसारण मंत्री be pleased to state :

(a) whether Government are aware that the broadcast in Bengali at 7-30 hours and at 19-30 hours over Delhi and Calcutta Stations of the AH India Radio are not clearly audible on the radio receivers ;

(b) if so, the reasons therefore ; and

[ ] English translation.

(c) the action proposed to be taken by Government in this regard ?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING/

सूचना और प्रसारण मंत्रालय में उप-मंत्री

(SHRI DHARAM VIR SINHA) : (a) and (b) These bulletins are broadcast on the short-wave on Delhi and on medium-wave from Calcutta stations. Both these broadcasts are received well in Eastern India. The reception of short-wave broadcasts from Delhi may not be particularly good at and around Delhi because of technical reasons. No complaints about inaudibility of these broadcasts have been received from the target areas.

(c) Does not arise.

#### A.I.R. NEWS BULLETIN ON FIRE AT SRINAGAR

910. SHRI GULAM NABI UNTOO : Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING/RT \*k smrojr jr^ff be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that the All India Radio in its English bulletin broadcast at 13.30 hours on the 21st March, 1971 gave a news item that Srinagar city was under heavy fire and that one thousand persons had been rendered homeless ;

(b) whether it is also a fact that the same news was denied by the State Government of Jammu and Kashmir ;

(c) if the reply to parts (a) and (b) above be in the affirmative, what action has been taken in this regard ?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING/सूचना और प्रसारण

मंत्रालय में राज्य मंत्री (SHRI DHARAM VIR SINGH) : (a) Yes, Sir. AIR broadcast a news item based on PTI report, that several houses and shops at Srinagar had been burnt and an estimated one thousand people had become homeless as a result of a big fire.

(b) A State Government official informed AIR that the report was not correct.

(c) The news items was immediately withdrawn and the attention of the Press Trust of India who had circulated the news item, was drawn to the inaccuracy.

#### POSTS AND TELEGRAPHS COMMUNICATIONS IN ANDAMANS

911. SHRI SITARAM JAIPURIA : Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS/\*i\*K T<sup>5</sup> be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that Government have drawn up a scheme involving Rupees 40 lakhs for improving post and telegraph communications in the Andamans ; and

(b) if so, the details thereof ?

THE MINISTER OF COMMUNICATIONS/^R m\ (SHRI H. N. BAHU-GUNA) : (a) and (b) A scheme including the following proposals for the development and improvement of P&T facilities in the Andaman and Nicobar Islands is currently under examination.

(i) Formation of a separate Postal Division for the administration of the Postal Services on the Islands. This would also enable the islands to be regarded as a separate unit of recruitment for the clerical grades in the Post Office and would obviate the need to bring staff from the mainland.

(ii) Utilisation of all available steamer services, both passenger and cargo, for conveyance of mails between the mainland and the Islands.

(iii) Utilisation of sailings of all Government vessels between the various Islands on other duties for conveyance of mails between various post offices.

(iv) Opening of a floating mobile Post Office on an experimental basis by the inter-Island steamer serving the Southern group of Islands.

(v) Improvement of the Wireless-Telegraph and Radio links between the mainland and the Islands.

(vi) Provision of Wireless-Telegraph/Radio Telephone links for inter-Island communication working between Port Blair