†धर्म तेजा सम्बन्धी कागजात 968. श्री राजनारायण; श्री नागेश्वर प्रसाद शाही :

क्या संसद्-कार्य और नौवहन तथा परिवहन मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि:

- (क) क्या यह सच है कि धर्म तेजा सम्बन्धी दस्तावेजों और अन्य कागजों को अधिकारियों द्वार जलाया जा रहा है ; और
- (ख) यदि हां, तो इसके क्या कारण हैं ?

PAPERS CONCERNING DHARMA TEJA

968. SHRI PAJNARAIN : SHRI N AGESHWAR PRASAD SHAM :

WUI the Minster of PARLIAMEN TARY AFFA1 IS AND SHIPPING AND TRANSPORT be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it is a fact that documentsand ot ier papers concerning Dharma Teja re being burnt by the officials; and
 - (b) if so, wi at are the reasons therefor? i

संसद-कार्य और नौबहन तथा परिवहन मंत्री (श्री के० रघुरमैया) : (क्) जी, नहीं।

(ख) प्रशन नहीं उठता ।

[E MU I.STER OF PARLIA-MENTARY AFFAIRS AND SHIPPING AND TRANSPORT (SHRI K. RAOHURAM \IAH); (a) No, Sir.

Docs n tt arise.

Transferrer from the 13th August, 1970. †[]Englisl: translation.

[MR. DEPUTY CHAIRMAN in the Chair]

CALLING ATTENTION TO A MATTER OF URGENT PUBLIC IMPORTANCE

DROUGHT CONDITIONS IN SEVERAL PARTS OF THE MYSORE STATE AND STEPS TAKEN TO ASSIST THE FAMINE- STRICKEN PEOPLE

SHRI MULKA GOVINDA REDDY (Mysore): Sir, I beg to call the attention of the Minister of Food and Agriculture to the serious drought conditions in several parts of Mysore State and the steps taken to assist the famine-stricken people.

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FOOD, AGRICULTURE. COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT AND CO-**OPERATION** (SHRI **ANNASAHEB** SHINDE): Sir, the responsibility for provision of relief in areas affected by natural calamities including drought rests with the State Governments. The Central Government give financial assistance in accordance with an established procedure. However, keeping in view the importance of relief operations in the drought affected areas, the House has been kept informed of the relief operations in progress in different States. Honourable Members will kindly recall that the drought situation in Mysore and relief operations undertaken were indicated inter-ulic in the statement laid on the Table of the House on 28th April, 1970.

Subsequently, there have heen rains in Mysore hut the rainfall has been inadequate and erratic. This has affected the crops in I I districts and the position is reported to be particularly difficult in the districts of Hassan, Bijapur and Tumkur. The State Governmeat have informed us that they have released Rs. I crore for relief works: in, which about 40,000 persons are reported to be employed on about 1,170 relief works. Arrangements are also being made for supply of drinking water by truck borne tanks in Hassan district. An emergency feeding programme covering about 3 akh beneficiaries including children and expectant/nursing mothers is proposed to be started in