Labour Minister in support of their demands; and

(b) if so, what action has been taken by the Government to get their demands accepted ?]

श्रम तथा पुनर्वास मंत्री (श्री डी० संजीवैया) : (क) जी, हां । गैर-पत्नको के सम्बन्ध में मजरी बोर्ड की सिफारिशों की त्रियान्विति पर कुछ समाचार-प्रतिष्ठानों के प्रबन्धको तथा उनके कर्मकारों के बीच विवादों पर राष्टीय न्यायाधिकरण, कलकत्ता के फैसले को शीघ्र प्रकाशित करने की मांग को लेकर 23 जुलाई, 1970 को एक प्रदर्शन हुआ था।

(ख) यह फैसला प्रकाशनार्थ भेज दिया गया है तथा उनकी प्रतियां संबंधित पक्षों को देदी गई हैं।

†ITHE MINISTER OF LABOUR AND REHABILITATION (SHRI SANJIVAYYA): (a) Yes. There was a demonstration on the 23rd July, 1970 to demand immediate publication of the award of the National Tribunal, Calcutta in the dispute between managements of certain newspaper establishments and their workmen over implementation of the recommendations Wage Board for Non-Journalists.

(b) The award has been sent publication and copies of the same have been supplied to the parties.]

## PRODUCTION OF COTTON

1458. DR. K. MATHEW KURIAN: Will the Minister of FOOD AND AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

- (a) the estimated production of cotton during the year 1969-70;
- (b) by which year the target of 7 million bales of cotton, anticipated in the Third Five Year Plan, is expected to be achieved; and
- (c) the reasons for shortfalls in the achievement of targets, if any?

THE MINISTER OF STATE THE MINISTRY OF FOOD, AGRI-COMMUNITY CULTURE, AND COOPERATION LOPMENT (SHRI ANNASAHEB SHINDE): (a) The production of cotton during 1969-70 was 52.33 lakh bales.

- (b) The targets of cotton production during 1969-70 and at the end of the 4th Plan (1973-74) have been fixed at 65 and 80 lakh bales respectively. The targets for in between years have not been fixed. It is expected that production level of 70 lakh bales would be achieved before the end of 4th Plan.
- (c) The shortfall in production was caused mainly by adverse weather conditions. While some promising varieties have been evolved we have still to get really high yielding varieties. Our Scientists have been working on this under a coordinated programme.

USE OF HINDI BY SENIOR OFFICERS

## 1459: SHRI KUMBHA RAM ARYA:

## SHRI SHYAM LAL YADAV:

Will the Minister of FOOD AND AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it is a fact that significant progress has so far been made in the use of Hindi by the senior officers? in his Ministry;
- (b) if so, the total number of officers of the rank of Under Secretary and above in his Ministry who had doing office work in Hindi at the end of 1967, 68 and 69, seperately; and
- (c) the steps contemplated by Government to intensify the use of Hindi by senior officers in his Ministry?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FOOD, AGRI-CULTURE. **COMMUNITY** DEVE-LOPMENT AND **COOPERATION** (SHRI ANNASAHEB SHINDE): (a) No, Sir. The correspondence with Hindispeaking States is being conducted in Hindi and other letters received in Hindi are also being replied to in Hindi.

- (b) Some of the officers do their work in Hindi as and when they find it convenient. No statistics in this regard had been maintained.
- (c) The instructions issued by the Ministry of Horne Affairs from time to time emphasising the use of Hindi Government work are brought to the notice of all concerned including senior officers. To facilitate use of Hindi by various officers of this Department, consolidated glos ary of administrative terms, dictiona ies received from Central Hindi Directorate and all the help-literature received from the Kendriya Sachivalava Hindi Parishad have been distributed. Under the Official Languages Amendment Act, 1967, Official Languages Implementation Committee has beca constituted under the Chairmanship (f Additional/Joint Secretaries in each Department under this Ministry. The Committee at its meetings held from time to time reviews the progress of implementation and lays continuing stress on the need to use Hindi for official pu poses.

USE OF HIN II LANGUAGE BY SENIOR OFFICERS

1460. SHR KUMBHA RAM ARYA:

SHRUSHYAM LAL YADAV:

Will the M nister of LABOUR AND REHABILITATION be pleased to state;

- (a) the total number of officers of the rank of Under Secretary and above in his Ministry who had been doing office work in Hindi at the end of 1967, 68 and 69, separately; and
- (b) the steps contemplated by Government to intensify the use of Hindi by senior officers?

THE MINISTER OF LABOUR AND REHABILITATION (SHRI D. SAN-JIVAYYA): (a) The number of Officers of the rank of Under Secretary and above who have been doing some

of their work in Hindi was 4, 5 and 13 at the end of 1967, 1968 and 1969 respectively.

(h) Instructions have been issued from time to time stressing the need for progressive use of Hindi in Office work. Help Literature has been provided. Facilities for imparting training in Hindi to the non-Hindi knowing officers have also been arranged.

USE OF HINDI LANGUAGE BY SENIOR OFFICERS

1461. SHRI KUMBHA RAM ARYA:

> SHRI SHYAM LAL YADAV :

Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING AND COM-MUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

- (a) the total number of officers of the rank of Under Secretary and above in the Department of Communications who had been doing office work in Hindi at the end of 1967, 68 and 69; and
- (b) the steps contemplated by the Government to intensify the use of Hindi in office work by senior officials?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING AND IN THE DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNICATIONS (PROF. SHER SINGH):

(a) At the end of 1969, thirty three senior officers were partly doing their office work in Hindi. Figures for the years 1967 and 1968 were not maintained.

(b) All officers have been advised from time to time to use Hindi and they are afforded all facilities in this behalf by way of imparting them training and making available lists of standard Hindi phrases etc., which are in common use.