

THE DE'UTY MINISTER IN ITH:-
MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI
SURENDRA PAL SINGH) : a.) Government
have seen i the press repo t.

(b) and (c) Gases of racial discri" mination are io
be reported to the Race Relations Boa d, set up by
the U. K. Government i nder the Race Relations
Act, 1968.

The general assistance of the Indian High
Commission in U. K. is always available to Endian
nationals to advise them about correct procedures
and in resolving to tlie extent possible difficulties
which arise n connection with raci.il discrimination

UTILISATION OF ELECTRIC POWER OF TARAPUR NUCLEAR POWER STATION

*245. SHRI f. S. TILAK : Will the PRIME
MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whethe it in a fact that ihe electric power
genera ed at the Tarapur Nuclear Powei Statio- is
not being fully utilised by the Gujar (und
Maharashtra States ; and

(bj if so. bat are ihe reasons therefor ?

THE PRIME MINISTER AND MINISTER OF
ATOMIC ENERGY (SHRIMATI INDIRA
GANDHI) : (a) and (b) The Tarapur Atomic Power
Station has b-en generating steady power which is
beiri^ supplied on a commercial basis from October
a, 1969. The entire power genced by this Station
is being supplied to the States of Maharashtra and
Gujarat The generation of power is presently
restricted owing to two limitations, namely (i) the
need for certain modification!" to the Switchyard
erected and operate;, by the Maharashtra State
Electricity Board and (ii) the necessity for
strengthening the grid particularly in Gujarat.

STATBMSNT OF GEN. KUMARAMANCAU I CARDING ARMY

*a.6. DR. SALIGRAM :

SHI I KRISHAN KANT : SHM A. G.
KULKARNI :

Will the Minister of DEFENCE be
pe;i l te :

(a) wheih r Government's attention has been
drawn to the recent statement made

by Gen. Kumaramangalam (retired) to the effect
that "the army is the least popular profession... .very
few people like to join it as a career unless most of
the other avenues are closed. We get very few
(officers) from those of higher grade, not in birth
but in quality" ; and

(b) if so, what is the reaction of Govern-ment to
the Statement ?

THE MINISTER OF DEFENCE, STEEL AND
HEAVY ENGINEERING (SARDAR SW ARAN
SINGH) : (a) Government have seen a newspaper
report more or less to this effect.

(b) Considering the large intake of officers, both
regular and short-term, for the Army over the past
few years, the response from persons wishing lo join
the Army is quite good, though then-is room for
improvements, particularly in the intake of Short
Service Commissioned Officers in the iechanical
branches. The shortfalls in the last few years, can
amongst other factors, be ascribed to the inadequate
response from ihe State Governments for making
available civilian officers under the Compulsory-
Service Liability Scheme and the natural desire of
Technical Graduates to go in for more permanent
careers than Short Service Commissions in the
Army. Special measures which Government have
taken, including the establishment of Sainik Schools
for preparation of boys for the National Defence
Academy, and the Special Entry through the NCC,
arc expected to make up some of the shortfalls.

ट्रेक्टर उपहार योजना

*247. सरदार गुरुचरण सिंह तोहड़ा :
क्या वंदेशिक व्यापार मंत्री यह बताने की
कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) ट्रेक्टर उपहार योजना के अन्तर्गत
सितम्बर, 1969 तक भारत को कुल कितने
ट्रेक्टर प्राप्त हुए ;

(ब) क्या यह योजना सफल रही है ;
और

(ग) यदि हां, तो यह कब तक जारी
रखी जायेगी ?

TRACTOR GIFT SCHEME

*2^ SARDAR GURCHARAN SRINGH TOHRA : Will the Minister of FOREIGN TRADE be pleased to state :

(a) the total number of tractors received in India upto September, 1969 under the Tractor Gift Scheme ;

(b) whether this Scheme has been a success ; and

(c) if so, for how long it would be continued ?]

वैदेशिक व्यापार मंत्रालय में उपमंत्री (चौधरी राम सेवक) : (क) ट्रैक्टर उपहार योजना के अन्तर्गत ट्रैक्टरों के आयात के लिये 30 सितम्बर, 1969 तक 673 सीमा शुल्क निकासी परमिट दिये गये हैं। भारत में अब तक प्राप्त ट्रैक्टरों की वास्तविक संख्या के सम्बन्ध में जानकारी उपलब्ध नहीं है।

(ख) योजना के अन्तर्गत इसकी प्रतिक्रिया सन्तोषजनक रही है।

(ग) योजना 31 अक्टूबर, 1969 को पहिले ही समाप्त हो गई है। इसके बढ़ाने का प्रश्न विचाराधीन है।

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF FOREIGN TRADE (CHOWDHARY RAM SEWAK]:

(a) 673 customs clearance permits have been issued upto the 30th September, 1969 for import of tractors under the Tractor Gift Scheme. Information regarding the actual number of tractors received so far in India is not available.

(b) The response under the Scheme has been satisfactory.

(c) The Scheme has already expired on 31st October, 1969. The question of its extension is under consideration*]

TALKS TO SOLVE NAGA PROBLEM

♦248 SHRI RIZAQ. RAM :

SHRI KRISHAN KANT : SHRI A.

G. KULKARNI :

Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state :

(a) whether moderate Naga rebels have approached Government for further talks to solve the Naga problem ; and

f[] English translation.

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

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI SURENDRA PAL SINGH): (a) Shri Scato Swu, of the so-called "Revolutionary" faction of the Underground Nagas, called on the Prime Minister, at Kohima, on the 25th September, 1969 and in a memorandum presented to her made an appeal for the resumption of political talks.

(b) As has been stated on many occasions in the past, a settlement of the Naga problem was reached in 1960. When law and order is fully restored, further implementation of the igGo Agreement can be gone into. While all citizens of India, including Nagas, are free to make suggestions for the betterment of Nagaland to the Governor and Government of Nagaland, Government of India are not contemplating any talks with the underground.

प्रेस तथा रेडियो के बीच तालमेल

*138. श्री राजनारायण : क्या वैदेशिक कार्य मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या यह सच है कि सूचना तथा प्रसारण के राज्य मंत्री श्री इन्द्र कुमार गुजराल ने संयुक्त अरब गणराज्य के साथ प्रेस और रेडियो के बारे में अधिक घनिष्ठ तालमेल विधान हेतु बातचीत की है ; और

(ख) यदि हां, तो यह बात चीत किस प्रकार की है ?

J [CO-ORDINATION BETWEEN PRESS AND RADIO

*138. SHRI RAJNARAIN : Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that the Minister of State for Information and Broadcasting, Shri Inder Kumar Gujral has held negotiations with the United Arab Republic for bringing about close coordination regarding the Press and the Radio ; and

(b) if so, in what manner ?]

j Transferred from the 21st November, 1969-

J[] E^lish translation.