

*459. [Transferred to the 19th March, 1969]
AMBASSADORS FROM OUTSIDE THE INDIAN
FOREIGN SERVICE

*460. SHRI RAM NIWAS MIRDHA : Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state ;

(a) the number of Indian ambassadors who are from outside the Indian Foreign Service;

(b) whether Foreign Service officers have protested against appointment of ambassadors from outside; and

(c) what steps Government have taken to improve the Service conditions of Foreign Service Officers ?

THE MINISTER OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI DINESH SINGH): (a) Seventeen out of Seventyfive.

(b) There was a representation only in one instance from the I. F. S. Association.

(c) Conditions of service are kept under review from time to time and improvements effected, whenever possible and necessary.

INDO-U. A. R. TRADE

1169. CHAUDHARY A. MOHAMMAD: Will the Minister of FOREIGN TRADE AND SUPPLY be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that a six man Indian Trade Delegation visited Cairo to review the existing trade agreement between the two countries;

(b) if the answer to part (a) above be in the affirmative, whether the delegation found any possibilities for further expansion of Indo-UAR Trade; and

(c) if so, the details thereof ?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF FOREIGN TRADE AND SUPPLY (CHOWDHARY RAM SEWAK): (a) Yes, Sir. A three man delegation visited Cairo in January this year.

(b) and (c) This was the regular half yearly review of trade between India and the U. A. R. during the current agreement period (July 1968 to June 1969); and the two sides agreed to various measures required to ensure a smooth flow of trade. The two sides agreed to meet again in June, 1969 in order to agree on a Trade Arrangement for the next year, when they will try to agree on a further expansion of their bilateral trade.

सेना को घटिया किस्म की रम की सप्लाई

1170. श्री सुरज प्रसाद : क्या रक्षा मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या यह सच है कि गाजियाबाद मोहन ब्रिविरीज द्वारा भूतपूर्व सैनिक अधिकारियों की सहायता से, जो इस फैक्टरी में काम कर रहे हैं, सेना को घटिया किस्म की 3-एक्स रम सप्लाई की जाती है ; और

(ख) यदि हां, तो क्या सरकार ने मिलिट्री स्टोर में रखी हुई इस 3-एक्स रम की जांच करने के लिए असैनिक अधिकारियों से कहा है अथवा वह कहने का विचार कर रही है ?

†[SUPPLY OF SUB-STANDARD RUM TO ARMY

†1170. SHRI SURAJ PRASAD : Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that sub-standard XXX Rum is supplied to the Army by the Mohan Breweries, Gaziabad with the help of ex-Military officers who are employed in this factory; and

(b) if so, whether Government have asked or propose to ask the civil authorities to make inquiries into this XXX Rum stocked in military stores?]

रक्षा मंत्री (सरदार स्वर्ण सिंह) : (क) रम को तब तक स्वीकार नहीं किया जाता जब तक उसका वैश्लेषिक परीक्षण न कर लिया जाए और उसे स्वीकार्य घोषित न किया जाए। फलस्वरूप मोहन ब्रिविरीज से निम्न मानक रम स्वीकार करने का प्रश्न उठता ही नहीं।

(ख) प्रश्न नहीं उठता।

†[THE MINISTER OF DEFENCE (SARDAR SWARAN SINGH): (a) Rum is not accepted unless it is analytically tested and declared acceptable. The question of accepting sub-standard rum from Mohan Breweries does not consequently arise.

(b) Does not arise.]

†[] English translation.