

available only for financing goods of Indian origin, as may be mutually agreed.

QUAKES AT KOYNA

668. SHRI RAM SINGH: Will the Minister of IRRIGATION AND POWER be pleased to state whether Government have tried to find out if the earthquake at Koyna was in any way connected with the thermo-nuclear blast which occurred about the same time near Leonardo Canyon, New Mexico?

THE MINISTER OF IRRIGATION AND POWER (DR. K. L. RAO): The Committee of Experts set up by the Government of India to study the behaviour of the recent earthquake at Koyna has, in its Preliminary Report, indicated that the cause of the earthquake in the Koyna Region is tectonic due to probable fault in the basement rock underlying basalt formation and seems to have no connection with the nuclear test in USA.

A. G., KERALA

669. SHRI A. D. MANI: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Shri A. K. Gopalan has complained to the Central Government about the missing accounts of the Accountant General of Kerala; and

(b) if so, what are the details of the complaint?

THE DEPUTY PRIME MINISTER AND MINISTER OF FINANCE (SHRI MORARJI R. DESAI): (a) and (b) No Sir. No such complaint has been received by Government from Shri Gopalan. However, Shri Gopalan has drawn the attention of the Comptroller and Auditor General to certain allegations against the Accountant General concerned in regard to some of his personal assets and to certain other matters relating to the administration of his office.

IMPORT OF PETROLEUM PRODUCTS FROM RUMANIA

670. DR. (MRS.) MANGLADEVI TALWAR: Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND CHEMICALS be pleased to state:

(a) whether any new agreement for importing Petroleum products from Rumania has recently been concluded; and

(b) if so, what are the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND CHEMICALS AND OF SOCIAL WELFARE (SHRI K. RAGHURAMAIAH):

(a) Yes, Sir, the Indian Oil Corporation have signed an agreement for the import of petroleum products from Rumania during 1968.

(b) The contract provides for the import of about 75,000 tonnes of Lubricating Oils during the years.

RUSSIAN AIDED PROJECT

671. DR. (MRS.) MANGLADEVI TALWAR: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Finance Minister held discussions with the Prime Minister of Russia recently about Russian-aided projects; and

(b) if so, what are the details thereof?

THE DEPUTY PRIME MINISTER AND MINISTER OF FINANCE (SHRI MORARJI R. DESAI): (a) and (b) The Deputy Prime Minister met the Prime Minister of Russia on 29-1-1968, there was, however, no specific discussion on the Russian-aided projects.

CENTRAL LOAN TO PUNJAB FOR BHAKRA PROJECT

672. SARDAR RAM SINGH: Will the Minister of IRRIGATION AND POWER be pleased to state: