MINIMUM WAGES TO WORKERS WORK-ING ON POWERLOOMS OUTSIDE MILLS

323. SYED NAUSHER ALI: SHRI NIREN GHOSH: SHRI ARAVINDAKSHAN KAIMAL:

Will the Minister of LABOUR AND REHABILITATION be pleased to state:

- (a) whether there is any proposal under Government's consideration to fix minimum living wages to the workers working on powerlooms outside the Mills, as was done in the case of workers working on the powerlooms in the mills;
- (b) if so, what are the details thereof; and
- (c) by when the proposal is likely to be implemented?

THE MINISTER OF LABOUR AND REHABILITATION (SHRI JAISUKHLAL HATHI): (a) and (b) The question of fixation of wages of workers working on the Cotton power-looms, outside the mill sector is being considered by the Second Central Wage Board for Cotton Textile Industry.

(c) Does not arise.

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324. SHRI NIREN GHOSH:
SHRI A. P. CHATTERJEE:
SHRI ARAVINDAKSHAN
KAIMAL:
SHRI K. SUNDARAM:

Will the Minister of EDUCATION be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the is any proposal under Government's consideration to revive the Indo-U.S. Educational Foundation; and
  - (b) if so, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF EDUCATION (DR. TRIGUNA SEN): (a) and (b) There have been no further developments since the matter was briefly dis-

cussed with the U.S. Ambassador in May last.

## ABOLITION OF PROHIBITION

325. DIWAN CHAMAN LALL: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it is a fact that one State Government has recently abolished prohibition;
- (b) if so, what is the saving not only in respect of revenue but also in respect of charges for controlling and checking prohibition; and
- (c) what is the total cost throughout India under these two heads?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI VIDYA CHARAN SHUKLA): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) and (c) Government have no information.

BAN ON CARRYING OF BOWS, ARROWS ETC.

326. SHRI S. S. MARISWAMY: DIWAN CHAMAN LALL:

Will the Minister of HOME AF-FAIRS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government of India have issued a notification banning carrying of bows, arrows, spears etc. in Siliguri division of West Bengal; if so, whether a copy of the Notification will be laid on the Table of the House;
- (b) whether the Government of West Bengal have criticised this action as interference in State's autonomy; and
- (c) if so, the reaction of the Government of India in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI Y. B. CHAVAN): (a) Yes, Sir. A copy each of the two notifications dated 10th July, 1967 is laid on the Table of the House.

- (b) No. Sir.
- (c) Does not arise.