

(d) The total expenditure is not yet known but it is estimated to be in the neighbourhood of Rs. 1,80,000.

#### SHRI ALAGESAN'S VISIT ABROAD

\*684. SHRI JOGENDRA SINGH: Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND CHEMICALS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Shri Alagesan, the Minister of State, recently visited the United States of America, Canada and Japan;

(b) if so, what was the object of his visit; and

(c) whether the object, if any, has been achieved?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND CHEMICALS (SHRI O. V. ALAGESAN): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) and (c) I visited a number of plants and held discussions with leading industrial enterprises in the field of petro-chemicals, nitrogenous fertilisers and oil exploration and refining. The discussions were of an exploratory nature. Some of the companies showed keen interest in participating in suitable production schemes in India. Some proposals have already been received and more are expected to be received shortly.

#### PERSONS ARRESTED IN CONNECTION WITH EVE-TEASING

\*685. SHRI R. S. KHANDEKAR: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) the number of persons who have so far been arrested in Delhi during this year for eve-teasing; and

(b) what steps are taken to combat this evil?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SMA L. N. MISHRA): (a) 219 persons were arrested for eve-teasing during the period from 1st January 1964 to 30th November, 1964.

(b) Measures in the form of intensified patrolling at bus stops and busy shopping centres and posting of police-men in plain clothes near colleges, schools girls' hostels, cinema houses, theatres, temples, crowded public places and picnic spots have been taken.

\*688. [Transferred to the 23rd December, 1964].

#### STATEMENT BY SHEIKH ABDULLAH IN KASHMIR

\*687. SHRI SITARAM JAIPURIA: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government's attention has been drawn to a statement made by Sheikh Abdullah published in the 'Hindustan Times' dated the 14th November, 1964 in which he has given a warning of struggle, if peaceful methods fail to solve the Kashmir problem; and

(b) if so, what is the reaction of Government to such anti-India propaganda?

THE MINISTER OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI GULZARILAL NANDA): (a) and (b) Government have seen the press report to which attention has been drawn. Such statements are deplorable.

The declaration about Jammu and Kashmir State as being an integral and inseparable part of India has been reiterated several times in Parliament.

\*688. [Transferred to the 24th December, 1964.]

#### SHORTFALL IN FERTILISER PRODUCTION

\*689. SHRI N. PATRA: Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND CHEMICALS be pleased to state:

(a) the main reasons for the shortfall in fertilizer production during the Third Five Year Plan period; and

(b) what steps have been taken to reach the target before the expiry of the Plan period?