

(ख) इस वर्ष के पहले ८ महीनों में २८,७५५ भारतीय (५००० से ६००० परिवार) बर्मा से भारत आए हैं।

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI DINESH SINGH): (a) The Indian Airlines Corporation has increased the number of its flights between Rangoon and Calcutta from 2 per week to 7 per week. Three ships of the Mojul Line Ltd. are plying between the ports of Rangoon and Madras/Visakhapatnam. Up to 5th September, 1964, there had been 9 sailings to Madras and 2 to Visakhapatnam. By the first week of December, 1964, these ships would have made 28 round trips between Rangoon and Madras/Visakhapatnam.

(to) During the first 8 months of this year 28,755 Indians (between 500 to 6000 families) have come over from Burma to India.]

#### MONOPOLISTIC TREND IN NEWSPAPER INDUSTRY

SHRI P. ABRAHAM: \*54. (PANDIT BHAWANIPRASAD ^ TIWARY:

Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the monopolistic trends in the Indian Newspaper Industry continued to exist in 1963; and

(to) if so, what steps have been taken to curb this growth?

THE MINISTER OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (SHRIMATI (INDIRA GANDHI): (a) and (b) The question of monopolies in newspapers has been under the consideration of Government. The Press Commission's suggestion in this connection was that when such monopolies develop, the matter should be referred to the Press Council. A Bill for the establishment of a Press Council has already been

f f ] English translation.

introduced in the Rajya Sabha and is expected to come up for consideration and passage in both the Houses in the current session.

#### SURPRISE VISIT TO CALCUTTA BY CHINESE DIPLOMATIC PERSONNEL

\*55. SHRI R. S. KHANDEKAR: Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that certain Chinese diplomatic personnel paid surprise visit to Calcutta sometime back and contacted certain Chinese residents there; and

(b) if so, what was the purpose of their visit and what action was taken by Government in this connection?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRIMATI LAKSHMI N. MENON): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The purpose of the visit, as reported by the Chinese Embassy, was official duty and a trip of sight seeing.

#### DIPLOMATIC MISSION IN SALISBURY

\*56. SHRI M. N. GOVINDAN NAIR: Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the Government of India have turned down the representations made by Zimbabwe African People's Union of Southern Rhodesia to withdraw India's diplomatic mission from Salisbury; and

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

THE DEPUTY MINISTER in THE MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI DINESH SINGH): (a) and (b) Full consideration has been given to the views of ZAPU, India's Commission in Southern Rhodesia is not accredited to the Government of Southern Rhodesia but to the United Kingdom Government. It is felt that for the present the Indian Mission in Salisbury serves a useful function in