

(b) if so, when it is going to be set up at Paradeep; and

(c) from where it is going to be shifted?

THE MINISTER OF DEFENCE (SHRI SWARAN SINGH): (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

(c) Visakhapatnam.

Indo-Turkish Relations

343. SHRI DEIVEEKAN:
SHRI INDRAJIT GUPTA:

Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the Turkish Foreign Minister visited India in January, 1968 and held discussions with Indian leaders;

(b) if so, the details of the subjects discussed; and

(c) the steps taken for improving Indo-Turkish relations?

THE PRIME MINISTER, MINISTER OF ATOMIC ENERGY, MINISTER OF PLANNING AND MINISTER OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRIMATI INDIRA GANDHI): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) and (c). The subjects discussed and the steps proposed for improving Indo-Turkish relations are contained in the Joint Communiqué of January 9, 1968, issued on the conclusion of the visit of the Turkish Foreign Minister to India. A copy of the Joint Communiqué is laid on the Table of the House. [Placed in Library. See No. LT-51/68].

Agricultural income tax

344. SHRI DEIVEEKAN: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether any final decision has been taken regarding the proposal of Planning Commission for levy of Agricultural Income Tax;

(b) if so, the nature thereof; and

(c) the reaction of State Governments in this regard?

THE PRIME MINISTER, MINISTER OF ATOMIC ENERGY, MINISTER OF PLANNING AND MINISTER OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRIMATI INDIRA GANDHI): (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

(c) The matter is still under consideration by State Governments.

Resources for Agricultural Sector

345. SHRI DEIVEEKAN: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Planning Commission is considering the issue of raising larger resources for the agricultural sector; and

(b) if so, what are the main proposals under consideration in this regard?

THE PRIME MINISTER, MINISTER OF ATOMIC ENERGY, MINISTER OF PLANNING AND MINISTER OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRIMATI INDIRA GANDHI): (a) Yes, Sir. The Planning Commission is considering the issue of raising larger resources for the agricultural as well as non-agricultural sector.

(b) The Annual Plan for 1968-69 containing the recommendations of the Planning Commission will be presented to the House in the current session.

MESSAGE FROM YEMENI PRIME MINISTER

346. SHRI DEIVEEKAN: Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Yemeni Prime Minister has sent a message to the Prime Minister of India requesting India's aid and assistance; and