

(ग) लट्ठेदार नीवों (पाइल फाउंडेशन) का काम, जो इस वर्ष मई के प्रारम्भिक दिनों में शुरू किया गया था, आगे से अधिक पूरा हो भी चुका है ।

Import of Automobile Tyres by State Trading Corporation

*792. **Shri Vidya Charan Shukla:** Will the Minister of Commerce and Industry be pleased to refer to the reply given to Unstarred Question No. 1097 on the 14th March, 1960 and state:

(a) the particulars of the source from where the automobile tyres were imported by the State Trading Corporation;

(b) how many of these tyres have been purchased by the actual users;

(c) whether any complaints have been received regarding these tyres; and

(d) if so, the nature of the complaints received?

The Minister of Commerce (Shri Kanungo): (a) Import of tyres has been arranged by the STC from China, Czechoslovakia and USSR. Some quantities are going to be imported from Poland, Italy and Japan.

(b) Nearly 10,000 tyres have been supplied to Actual Users.

(c) Yes, Sir. Complaints have been received from some parties with regard to the performance of the tyres of Chinese origin supplied to them.

(d) The Actual Users have complained that the tyres burst without giving adequate mileage.

Tibetan Refugees

*793. **Shri Raghunath Singh:** Will the Prime Minister be pleased to state whether it is a fact that Tibetan refugees have been employed to work on Kargil-leh Road in Ladakh?

The Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister of External Affairs (Shri Sadath Ali Khan): Yes, Sir. About 700 Tibetan refugees are employed on the Kargil-Leh Road.

Disarmament

*794. { **Shri Harish Chandra Mathur:**
Shri Kalika Singh:

Will the Prime Minister be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have received any communication from the Prime Minister of the U.S.S.R. regarding 'Disarmament' after the failure of the Summit meeting;

(b) if so, what is Government's reaction thereto; and

(c) whether it has been conveyed to the U.S.S.R. Government?

The Deputy Minister of External Affairs (Shrimati Lakshmi Menon):

(a) Yes, Sir. After the failure of the Summit meeting, the Government received a communication from the Prime Minister of the U.S.S.R., together with the text of the Soviet proposals on disarmament.

(b) Government regard the proposals generally as being a constructive and helpful approach to the problem of disarmament.

(c) No formal communication has been sent, but the Prime Minister expressed Government's broad appreciations of this approach to disarmament at a press conference.

Indian Merchants in Tibet

*795. **Dr. Ram Subhag Singh:** Will the Prime Minister be pleased to state:

(a) the number of Indian merchants whose stocks are locked up in their trade establishments in Tibet;

(b) the approximate value of their stock and immovable properties owned by them in Tibet; and