

position since the reply given in Parliament last August.

**Production of Salt**

\*638. { Shrimati Ila Palchoudhuri:  
Shri Chintamani Panigrahi:  
Shri Ram Krishan Gupta:

Will the Minister of Commerce and Industry be pleased to refer to the reply given to Starred Question No. 861 on the 23rd August, 1961 and state:

(a) whether any final decision in the matter of setting up of factories for the production of salt has since been taken; and

(b) if so, the nature and details of the decision taken?

**The Minister of Industry (Shri Manubhai Shah):** (a) and (b). As stated in reply to Starred Question No. 861, on 23-8-1961, several parties have come forward for the establishment of big salt works in Vedaranyam in Madras and on the coastal area of Orissa. Their plans for the lay out and mechanisation of the salt works will be scrutinised and licences for salt manufacture issued if found suitable.

Also West Bengal and Orissa Government are thinking of establishing Salt works themselves in suitable areas in the State Sector.

तिब्बत में पकड़े गये भारतीय राष्ट्रजन

\*६३८-क. { श्री भक्त दर्शन :  
श्री वी० चं० शर्मा :

क्या प्रधान मंत्री ८ सितम्बर, १९६१ के तारांकित प्रश्न संख्या १३२० के उत्तर के सम्बन्ध में यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि तिब्बत में चीनी अधिकारियों द्वारा पकड़े गये भारतीय राष्ट्रजनों अथवा भारतीय संरक्षणाधीन व्यक्तियों को छुड़ाने के लिये किये गये प्रयत्नों का क्या परिणाम निकला ?

वैदेशिक-कार्य मंत्री के सभा सचिव (श्री जी० ना० हज्जारिका) : तारांकित

प्रश्न संख्या १३२० के उत्तर में हमने जो स्थिति बताई थी, उसमें कोई परिवर्तन नहीं हुआ है ।

**Recognition of East German and Provisional Govt. of Algeria**

\*639. { Shri Harish Chandra Mathur:  
Shri S. M. Banerjee:  
Shri Shree Narayan Das:  
Shri Radha Raman:  
Shri Vidya Charan Shukla:  
Shri Hem Barua:  
Pandit D. N. Tiwari:  
Shri Bahadur Singh:

Will the Prime Minister be pleased to state whether Government have come to any final conclusion regarding the recognition of (a) East German Government, and (b) Provisional Government of Algeria?

**The Deputy Minister of External Affairs (Shrimati Lakshmi Menon):** The position of the Government of India remains the same as stated by Prime Minister in his statements in the Lok Sabha on 16th August regarding the Provisional Government of Algeria and on 17th August regarding the East German Governments.

**Housing Co-operatives**

\*640. Shri D. C. Sharma: Will the Minister of Works, Housing and Supply be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government propose to pursue more vigorously the policy of favouring housing co-operatives in rural and urban areas in the country;

(b) whether any scheme has been chalked out in this connection; and

(c) if so, the details thereof?

**The Deputy Minister of Works, Housing and Supply (Shri Anil K. Chanda):** (a) to (c). The various Housing Schemes in operation already contain appropriate provisions, wherever possible, for grant of