

The Prime Minister and Minister of Atomic Energy (Shrimati Indira Gandhi): (a) In 1960, the Geological Adviser to the Department of Atomic Energy was entrusted with the duties of the Director, Atomic Minerals Division. With effect from March 13, 1967, the Atomic Minerals Division has been reorganised and two Regional Directors have been appointed.

(b) Posts of Scientific Officers in the Division have been made permanent and orders confirming individual officers are expected to issue shortly.

(c) No special pool accommodation has been provided for these officers as they are entitled to the general pool accommodation in various cities.

(d) Recruitment rules for appointment to various scientific and technical posts in the Atomic Minerals Division are in existence and promotion are made on the basis of these rules.

#### Protest from Pakistan Regarding Trade with Israel

2926. Shri D. C. Sharma: Will the Minister of External Affairs be pleased to state:

(a) whether Pakistan has protested to India against his statement on trade between Pakistan and Israel; and

(b) if so, the reaction of Government thereto?

The Minister of External Affairs (Shri M. C. Chagla): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The protest of the Pakistan High Commission has been rejected. Copies of Pakistan's protest note and Government of India's reply thereto are placed on the Table of the House. [Placed in Library. See No. LT-709/67].

#### यूरेनियम का निर्यात

2927. श्री ब्रह्मानन्द जी :  
श्री जगन्नाथराव जोशी :  
श्री हुकम चन्द कछवाय :

श्री राम सिंह अबरवाल :  
श्री महाराज सिंह भारती :

क्या प्रधान मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या सरकार का विचार यूरेनियम का निर्यात करने का है ; और

(ख) यदि हां, तो 1966-67 में यूरेनियम का कितना निर्यात किया गया और कितनी विदेशी मुद्रा अर्जित की गई ?

प्रधान मंत्री तथा सम्बन्धित मंत्री (श्रीमती इन्दिरा गांधी): (क) जी नहीं।

(ख) प्रश्न नहीं उठता।

बायसेना के मुख्यालय में घाग लगने की घटना

2928. श्री ब्रह्मानन्द जी :  
श्री जगन्नाथ राव जोशी :  
श्री हुकम चन्द कछवाय :  
श्री राम सिंह अबरवाल :

क्या रक्षा मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) रामकृष्णपुरम में ब्लाक संख्या 6 के कक्ष 7 में स्थित बायु सेना के मुख्यालय में इस वर्ष कितनी बार घाग लगी ;

(ख) इसके परिणामस्वरूप जान और माल की कितनी हानि हुई तथा घाग लगने के क्या कारण थे ;

(ग) क्या सरकार ने इस बारे में कोई जांच करवाई है ; और

(घ) यदि हां, तो उसके क्या परिणाम निकले हैं ?

प्रतिरक्षा मंत्री (श्री स्वर्ण सिंह): (क) इस प्रकार की केवल एक घटना हुई थी 23 मई 1967 को घटी थी।

(ब) से (घ). प्राग लगने से किसी की मृत्यु नहीं हुई वायु सेना नियमों के अनुसार इस घटना की जांच के लिए और जितनी सम्पत्ति की हानि हुई इसकी जांच के लिए एक जांच मजदालत बैठाने का आदेश दिया गया। जांच मजदालत की रिपोर्ट के प्राप्त होने पर ही प्राग लगने के कारण और अन्य विवरण मालूम होंगे।

#### Programme for East Africa

2929. Shri P. N. Solanki: Will the Minister of Information and Broadcasting be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that while the external Programmes for East Africa in Swahili, Hindi, and other languages are being Broadcast from Delhi but only one Programme in Gujarati is broadcast and that too half of it, is being broadcast from Bombay; and

(b) if so, the reasons thereof?

The Minister of Information and Broadcasting (Shri K. K. Shah): (a) and (b). No Sir. Gujarati Service to East Africa is being broadcast in two sessions daily—a news bulletin of 15 minutes duration in the morning and a general programme of 45 minutes duration in the evening. The morning news bulletin is broadcast from Delhi and is carried on the High Power Transmitter at Bombay. The evening Programme originates from Bombay and is put out simultaneously from High Power Transmitters at Delhi and Bombay. The place of origin of a certain programme is determined by the availability of suitable transmitters at the time when the service is required to be broadcast.

#### Gujarati News Broadcast from A.I.R. Station at Delhi & Bombay

2930. Shri P. N. Solanki: Will the Minister of Information and Broadcasting be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Gujarati News in the External Services are

broadcast from Delhi in the morning and from Bombay in the evening; and

(b) if so, the special reasons for this arrangement?

The Minister of Information and Broadcasting (Shri K. K. Shah): (a) and (b). Yes, Sir, The morning news-bulletin in Gujarati is of 15 minutes' duration and is a national bulletin based on material supplied by PTI and UNI and other sources. Such a bulletin can be prepared only at Delhi by the News Services Division. This bulletin is fed to Bombay on telephone lines for broadcast from the Bombay High Power Transmitter.

The evening bulletin in Gujarati is of 5 minutes duration and is a regional bulletin covering only head lines of regional news of particular interest to Gujarati population in East Africa; it is prepared by the Regional News Unit at Bombay. This bulletin is part of a composite Gujarati programme of 45 minutes' duration which because of the availability of talent is produced in Bombay. It is however, broadcast on both Delhi and Bombay High Power Transmitter.

#### News Reading on A.I.R.

2931. Shri P. N. Solanki: Will the Minister of Information and Broadcasting be pleased to state:

(a) whether the All India Radio has any machinery to scrutinise or act upon the suggestions made by Press and Public regarding the poor quality of News Reading; and

(b) if so, how it functions?

The Minister of Information and Broadcasting (Shri K. K. Shah): (a) and (b). Criticisms or suggestions received from listeners through letters or noticed in newspapers are brought to the attention of the news-readers concerned. The importance of effective newsreading is constantly emphasised on those responsible for news-reading. There is, however, no separate machinery for the purpose.