

(a) the number of Indians who visited Russia during the last year at the invitation of the Russian Government;

(b) whether there has been an increase in the flow of invitations from Russia to India in various fields; and

(c) the reaction of the Government of India in this regard ?

**VIDESH MANTRALAYA MEN UP-MANTRI (SHRI SURENDRA PAL SINGH):**

(a) to (c) . Information on the number of Indians who have visited the USSR during the last two years on the invitation of the Govt. of the USSR is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the House.

**Inauguration of Road Link between Pakistan and China**

34. SHRI P. K. DEO : Will the VIDESH MANTRI be pleased to state :

(a) whether the road link between Pakistan and China connecting Gilgit and Hunza has been formally inaugurated;

(b) whether it passes through the Pakistan occupied side of Kashmir; and

(c) the reaction of Government in this regard ?

**VIDESH MANTRALAYA MEN UP-MANTRI (SHRI SURENDRA PAL SINGH):**

(a) Yes Sir. Government have seen press reports to this effect.

(b) Yes, Sir. The entire alignment of this road from Mor Khun to Khunjerab Pass runs through Indian territory which is presently under the illegal occupation of Pakistan.

(c) As the House has already been informed, Government have made it clear to the Governments of Pakistan and China that the so called agreements entered into by Pakistan and China concerning Pakistan-occupied Kashmir are illegal invalid and totally unacceptable to us.

**Use of Fire-Arms etc. by Staff of Pakistan High Commission, New Delhi against Demonstrators**

35. SHRI P. K. DEO : Will the VIDESH MANTRI be pleased to state :

(a) whether there were demonstrations organised by several students unions and political parties outside the Pakistan High Commissioner's office New Delhi to protest against the blowing up of the Indian Airlines plane;

(b) whether the staff of the Pakistan High Commission started throwing stones and bottles on the demonstrators thus injuring a number of policemen and students;

(c) whether fire-arms were also used by the Pakistani diplomats; and

(d) if so, the reaction of Government in this regard ?

**VIDESH MANTRALAYA MEN UP-MANTRI (SHRI SURENDRA PAL SINGH):**

(a) Yes, Sir.

(b) Yes, Sir.

(c) No, Sir.

(d) Government has conveyed its surprise and concern to the Pakistan High Commission at such unusual behaviour on the part of the members of the Mission and has pointed out to them that such acts greatly provoked the demonstrators and rendered the task of the police, on protective duty, extremely difficult.

**Declaring of Brig. Ghulam Hussan Khan of Pakistan High Commission as "Persona Non-Grata"**

36. SHRI M. M. JOSEPH : Will the VIDESH MANTRI be pleased to state :

(a) whether some M. Ps had asked the Government to take immediate steps to declare Brig. Ghulam Hussan Khan of the Pakistan High Commission as *Persona non-grata*; and

(b) if so, the details thereof and the steps taken by Government in this regard ?

**VIDESH MANTRALAYA MEN UP-MANTRI (SHRI SURENDRA PAL SINGH):** (a) and (b). A Member of Parliament raised the question in the Rajya Sabha on 1st April, 1971. Government have given consideration to the matter but have not decided to declare *persona non-grata*.

**Saving of Foreign Exchange of Crude Oil**

37. **SHRI P. GANGADEB :**  
**SHRI BISHWANATH JHUNJHUN-**  
**WALA**  
**SHRI NIHAR LASKAR :**

Will the **PETROLEUM AUR RASAYAN MANTRI** be pleased to state :

(a) whether Government are planning and finding ways to save foreign exchange on crude oil as a result of the increase in prices;

(b) the total amount expected to be spent by Government as a result of the increase in price of crude oil by the foreign companies during 1970; and

(c) the expected increase in the refining capacity ?

**PETROLEUM AUR RASAYAN MANTRI (SHRI P. C. SETHI) :** (a) Various possible ways by which reduction in outgo of foreign exchange can be effected consequent on higher prices currently being charged by the oil companies for crude imports are under Government's active consideration.

(b) No additional foreign exchange was released on account of the intimations given by the foreign oil companies of increase in the price of crude during 1970, but lesser quantity of crude was imported by the oil companies as a consequence.

(c) The refining capacity in the public sector is planned to be progressively increased during the 4th Plan period as under :

(i) Barauni from 2.2 to 3.4 million tonnes

(ii) Cochine .. 2.5 to 3.5 .. ..

(iii) Koyali .. 3.65 to 4.3 .. ..

(iv) Haldia Refinery is expected to be commissioned with a capacity of 2.5 million tonnes.

**Preparation by Pakistan for War against India**

38. **SHRI P. GANGADEB :**  
**SHRI S. M. KRISHNA :**  
**SHRI HUKAM CHAND KACHWAI :**

Will the **RAKSHA MANTRI** be pleased to state :

(a) whether it has come to the notice of the Government that Pakistan was putting up tents and installing field guns and have been surveying the Indian side of the border from position near Submandi;

(b) if so, the reaction of Government thereon; and

(c) whether Pakistan is preparing for another war with India ?

**RAKSHA MANTRI (SHRI JAGJIWAN RAM) :** (a) No, Sir. Government have no such reports.

(b) Does not arise.

(c) Government are aware of Pakistan's efforts to augment the offensive capacity of her Armed Forces.

**Protest Note to Pakistan for Firing into Indian Villages**

39. **SHRI P. GANGADEB :** Will the **VIDESH MANTRI** be pleased to state :

(a) whether Government have asked Pakistan on the 16th April, 1971 immediately to direct its forces in East Bengal to stop shooting into the Indian villages;

(b) whether any protest note was also forwarded to Pakistan in which it was pointed