Foreign Aid Received by National Council of Applied Economic Research, New Delhi

5889, SHRI BHOGENDRA JHA: Wil the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the National Council of Applied Econmic Research, New Delhi has been receiving foreign aid ;

(b) if so, the amount received during last 3 years ; and

(c) whether the foreign aid grant has been received by the Institute with the permission of Government ?

THE MINISTER OF FINANCE (SHRI YASHWANTRAO CHAVAN): (a) Yes, Sir. It has has received aid by way of grants from the Ford Foundation.

(b) In the course of the last 3 years, the foreign aid received by National Council of Applied Economic Research was only \$25,750, granted by the Ford Foundation in the year 1969-70.

(c) This grant was received by the National Council of Applied Economic Research with the concurrence of the Government of India,

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5890. श्री झोंकार लाल बेरवाः क्या पर्यटन और नागर विमानन मंत्री यह बताने की क्रुपा करेंगे किः

(क) क्या सरकार का विचार कोटा को हवाई यातायात के ढारा जयपुर को मिलाने का है; मौर

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पर्यटन और नागर विमानन मंत्री (डा॰ क्लॉसिह): (क) और (ल). इण्डियन एयर- लाइन्स का फिलहाल ऐसा कोई प्रस्ताव नहीं है।

Proposal to bring back Indian Engineers from Abroad

5891. SHRI NAWAL KISHORE SHARMA : Will the Minister of PETRO-LEUM AND CHEMICALS be pleased to state :

(a) whether Government of India are considering any proposal to bring back Indian Engineers from abroad for petrochemical complexes to be set up in the country;

(b) if so, the broad outlines thereof; and

(c) the total number of such Engineers to be brought back ?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND CHEMICALS (SHRI DALBIR SINGH): (a) to (c). Recently a Sub-Committee of the Boad of Directors of the Lidian Petrochemicals Corporation Limited a public sector undertaking under the Ministry of Petroleum and Chemicals visited U.S.A., Canada and Europe to interview Indian Scientists and Technologists working abroad for some senior positions in the Corporation's projects. The Sub-Committee interviewed 300 Indians and provisionally selected 90 for employment. The recommondations of the Sub-Committee are yet to be considered by the Board of the Corporation.

Discussion on strategy on International Monetary Issues for Developing Countries at UNCTAD III

5892. SHRI SHRIKISHAN MODI : SHRI P. M. MEHTA :

Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state :

(a) whether 24-member Inter-Government Group, including India, met at Benezuela an the 6th and 7th April 10 evolve strategy on International Monetary issues for the developing countries at UNCTAD III; and

(b) if so, the subjects discussed at meeting and India's role at the meeting ?

THE MINISTER OF FINANCE (SHRI YASHWANTRAO CHAVAN) : (a) Yes, Sir. The Inter-Governmental Group on monetary issues met in Caracas, Venezuela on the 6th and 7th April.

(b) The subjects discussed at the meeting and the main decisions taken are given in the statement laid on the Table of the House. India's representative at this meeting participated in the discussions and contributed towards the evolution of the decisions of the Inter-Governmental Group.

Statement

The Inter-Governmental Group reviewed various substantive and procedural issues facing the international monetary system at present time. It expressed its dissatisfaction that important decisions affecting the international monetary system have been taken by a small number of developed countries to the exclusion and neglect of the interests of the rest of international community, which has affected adversely the interests of the developing countries.

The Group therefore considered that the most important task facing it at this moment is to provide for fundamental improvements in the decision making process regarding international monetary issues. The Group agreeed that the institution for decision-making on international monetary matters should be the International Monetary Fund. It unanimously decided to support the creation of a Committee of the Board of Governors of the IMF to advise the Board on issues related to the reform of the international monetary system.

The Ministerial meeting endorsed the idea of a new activation of SDRs as from January 1, 1973.

The Group gave it fullest endorsement to the establishment of a link between SDRs and additional development finance. The

Group urged that this principle be accepted by the international community at the forthcoming UNCTAD and be followed up by appropriate action by the International Monetary Fund and its members.

Written Answers

The Group expressed its dissatisfaction with the present sytem of determining Fund quotas as this does not reflect the relative economic positions of Fund members. It further recognised the necessity for modifying the present basis for the distribution of SDRs as between developed and developing countries.

Disbursement of Money by Industrial Development Bank of India

5893. SHRI C. K. CHANDRAPPAN; Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state :

(a) the total disbursement of money by the industrial Development Bank of India in 1971-72; and

(b) the share of the private industries therein ?

THE MINISTER OF FINANCE (SHRI YASHWANTRAO CHAVAN) : (a) and (b). During the financial year 1971-72, the industrial Development Bank of India disbursed a total assistance of Rs. 96.14 crores out of which assistance disbursed to industrial concerns in the private sector amounted to Rs. 79.70 crores.

श्रीनगर्राजम्मू राजमार्ग पर बनिहाल में सैनिक बैरकों में मग्निकांड

5894. भी फूलबन्द वर्माः क्या रक्षा मंत्री यह बताने की क्रुपा करेंगे किः

(क) क्या श्रीनगर-जम्मू राजमार्ग पर बनिहाल में सैनिक बैरकों में हास ही में माग लगने से 6 सैनिक बैरक जल कर राख हो गई बी:

(स) क्या इस दुर्घटना में पाकिस्तानी तत्वों का हाय था; और