

(c) since all the persons admitted to the hospitals as a result of the leakage of the gas were discharged, no compensation has been paid by the Delhi Administration.

Aircraft rendered unfit for flights after hangar collapse

898. SHRI VILAS MUTTEMWAR: Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

(a) the number of Mirage aircraft damaged due to hangar collapse in Gwalior in the recent past and for how long these aircraft remained unfit for flights;

(b) after how many days the parts required for these aircraft were imported from USSR and whether Government had to make any payment for the parts imported; and

(c) if so, the extent thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF DEFENCE PRODUCTION AND SUPPLIES IN THE MINISTRY OF DEFENCE (SHRI D.L. BAITHA): (a) It would not be in the interest in national security to disclose this information.

(b) None of the parts were imported from USSR.

(c). Does not arise.

[English]

Discussion regarding communalism at Chief Secretaries Conference

899. SHRI INDRAJIT GUPTA: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the issue of communalism figured prominently at the Conference of the Chief Secretaries held recently; and

(b) if so, the details of the discussion in this regard and the outcome thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PERSONNEL, PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PENSIONS AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI P. CHIDAMBARAM): (a) Communalism, as an issue, was discussed among others, at the Conference.

(b) A review of the communal situation in different States was undertaken and it was felt that despite the decline in the number of communal incidents in the country during the past two years, no effort should be spared in containing forces of religious fundamentalism and in preventing them from carrying out their evil designs. The paramount importance of maintaining communal harmony was reiterated in the Conference. Several ideas and suggestions came up during the discussion to maintain communal harmony and to reduce communal tensions.

Expenditure on Jawaharlal Nehru Centenary Celebration

900. SHRI THAMPAN THOMAS: Will the Prime Minister be pleased to state:

(a) the total amount earmarked for the celebration of Jawaharlal Nehru Centenary during 1989

(b) the amount spent so far:

(c) whether any amount has been released so far for printing of diaries, calendars and other publicity material;

(d) the procedure of distribution of these publicity materials; and

(e) whether any of these publicity materials was sold in the market?

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