

Visit of U.S. Congressmen to Jammu and Kashmir

154. DR. SUDHIR RAY: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether a team of U.S. Congressmen recently visited Jammu and Kashmir;

(b) whether the team held any discussion with any individual or body in the country; and

(c) if so, details thereof?;

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE PRIME MINISTER'S OFFICE AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF ATOMIC ENERGY AND DEPARTMENT OF SPACE AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY (SHRI BHUVNESH CHATURVEDI): (a) to (c) A six member delegation comprising US Congressman Mr. Gary Ackerman, Congresswoman Ms. Barbara Rose Collins, and four members of the Congressional staff, along with the US Deputy Chief of Mission in Delhi, visited the State of Jammu and Kashmir on 16-17 November, 1994. During the visit, the delegation met Government officials, including the representatives of Army and Para-Military Forces, members of various political and other organisations and individuals, in Srinagar and Jammu. In Jammu, the delegation also visited a migrant camp.

While in India, the members of the delegation also called on Prime Minister and had meetings in Ministries of External Affairs, Home Affairs and Defence, Department of Jammu and Kashmir Affairs, and with the Chairman of Human Rights Commission.

[Translation]

Development Schemes

155. SHRI N.J. RATHVA: Will the Minister of PLANNING AND PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether any development schemes pertaining to the State of Gujarat especially meant for tribal areas is pending with the Planning Commission;

(b) if so, the time since when these schemes are pending and the reasons therefor;

(c) the details of the financial allocations made for these schemes, the actual target of the said schemes, plans for mobilising resources alongwith the likely benefits to the State; and

(d) the action taken/proposed to be taken to accord approval to these schemes?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PLANNING AND PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTATION (SHRI GIRIDHAR GAMANG): (a) No, Sir.

(b) to (d) Do not arise.

Prithvi Missile

157. SHRI PANKAJ CHOWDHARY:
SHRI RAMPAL SINGH:
SHRI BRIJBHUSHAN SHARAN
SINGH:
DR. RAMKRISHNA KUSMARIA:

Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether the user trials of 'Prithvi' Missile have since been completed;

(b) if so, the details thereof and the time by which it is likely to be inducted into the Army; and

(c) the number of personnel trained at various levels for operating the Missile?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF DEFENCE AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS (SHRI MALLIKARJUN): (a) to (c) The recently concluded User Trials focussed on operational use of the system. System training has been imparted to officers and men according to the requirements of the Army.

[English]

Pay Structure of CSIR Staff

158. DR. LAXMINARAYAN PANDEYA:
SHRI BHERU LAL MEENA:
SHRI C.K. KUPPUSWAMY:

Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Scientific Workers Association of the Council of Scientific & Industrial Research (CSIR) has submitted any charter of demands to the Government in the recent past; and

(b) if so, the details thereof and the action taken thereon?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE PRIME MINISTER'S OFFICE AND MINISTER OF OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENTS OF ATOMIC ENERGY AND DEPARTMENT OF SPACE AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY (SHRI BHUVNESH CHATURVEDI): (a) to (b) CSIR-SWA in their representation addressed to the Vth Pay Commission had *inter-alia* made certain suggestions in the matter of revision in the pay scales of Scientific, Technical and Administrative staff and other service conditions governing them. The points made by them were duly considered by a Committee constituted by Director-General, CSIR for preparing a final paper for being submitted to the Vth Pay Commission. Further action in the matter is possible only after the Vth Pay Commission Report is made available for adoption by the Government.

Projects by KVIC in Gujarat

159. SHRI KASHIRAM RANA: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) the total number of proposals/projects for setting up of industries in Gujarat which are