

Russian Forces close to our Border

106. SHRI M. V. CHANDRA-SEKHARA MURTHY: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether Russian forces have moved closer to our borders also due to their intervention in Afghanistan;

(b) if so, whether Pakistan has also moved its forces to our borders;

(c) if so, whether this has increased tension in our borders also;

(d) if so, whether India has also taken full measures to face the threat posed by the concentration of troops of Pakistan, China and Russian troops in Afghanistan; and

(e) what are the steps that are being taken or likely to be taken?

THE PRIME MINISTER (SHRIMATI INDIRA GANDHI): (a) The Russian troops are in Afghanistan, as is well known.

(b) There are no reports to suggest any unusual Pakistani troops movement close to our borders.

(c) to (e). The Russian presence in Afghanistan has certainly created a new situation in our neighbourhood. We are keeping a close watch on the developing situation along our borders and timely and appropriate measures as considered necessary for safeguarding the territorial integrity of India will be taken.

Supply of Nuclear Fuel by U.S.A.

107. SHRI M. V. CHANDRA-SHEKHARA MURTHY: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have taken up the question of nuclear fuel supplies with U.S. Government;

(b) if so, whether U.S. Government have assured the Indian Government of release of the shipment of nuclear fuel as per agreement;

(c) if so, to what extent the nuclear fuel has been supplied after the new Government took over; and

(d) whether the committed nuclear fuel for the year 1979 has been transported to India?

THE PRIME MINISTER (SHRIMATI INDIRA GANDHI): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) No, Sir.

(c) The U. S. authorities have not supplied any enriched uranium after the new Government took over. The last consignment of enriched uranium for the Tarapur Station was received in April 1979.

(d) No, Sir.

Law and Order Situation in the Country

108. SHRI R. P. YADAV:

SHRI K. LAKKAPPA:

SHRI M. V. CHANDRASHEKHARA MURTHY:

SHRI RAMAYAN RAI:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are aware that of late law and order situation in the country has deteriorated; and

(b) what specific steps are being taken by Government to improve it?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI YOGENDRA MAKWANA): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) It is proposed to shortly hold a Conference of the Chief Ministers of States to discuss various aspects of law and order problems and to evolve measures for putting down lawlessness and for activating law enforcement agencies.