and neutralise any attempt at espionage and such other prejudicial activities by any individual or organisation.

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Demand from Burma Repatriates Organisation for Allotment of Land

9604. SHRI BALWANT SINGH WALTA-SHRI TEJA SINGH DARDI:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether an organisation of the people of Indian origin who migrated to India during the period from 1964 to 1981 from Burma had made a demand for allotment of land or house to solve their housing problem;
- (b) if so, whether it had been agreed to allot them land for construction of house as per their demand;
- (c) if so, the reasons for not allotting land to this organisation so far; and
- (d) the further time likely to be taken in this matter?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI CHINTAMANI PANIGRAHI): (a) to (d), No specific demand for allotment of land or houses from any organisation of Burma repatriates, settled throughout India, has been received. However, a representation has been received from an organisation styling itself as Burma Andhra Repatriates Central Association with its headquarter at Vishakhapatñam in which, inter-alia. request for providing housing facilities to Burma repatriates, at par with weaker sections of the society, has been made. This representation has been sent to the Government of Andhra Pradesh for appropriate action, as, according to the Central Government scheme, only loan is given for housing assistance to eligible Burma repatriates.

[English]

Export of Iron Ore to Japan

9605. SHRIMATI BASAVARAJESWARI:
SHRI G.S. BASAVARAJU:
SHRI S.M. GURADDI:
SHRIMATI JAYANTI PATNAIK:
SHRI YASHWANT RAO
GADAKH PATIL:

Will the Minister of COMMERCE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether India has achieved a major break through in its negotiations with the Japanese Steel Mills in regard to iron ore supply;
- (b) if so, whether this will give a boost to steel industry in the country;
- (c) the quantity and value of iron ore to be exported to Japan in 1987 and how it compares with the figures of 1986; and
- (d) the ports through which iron ore is exported to Japan?

THE MINISTER OF STAE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE (SHR! P.R. DAS MUNSI): (a) to (c). Despite the recessionary conditions prevailing in the Japanese Steel Industry, India is hopeful to maintain its current level of exports to Japan during 1987-88, whereas contracted quantities of some other major suppliers have been reduced by Japanese Steel Mills. Export of iron ore to Japan (including concentrates) during 1986-87 is estimated at 21.19 million tonnes valued at Rs. 409.56 crores and exports during 1987-88 are expected to remain around the same level.

Export of iron ore will not affect the steel industry in the country, since only surplus quantities are exported.

(d) Iron ore to Japan is mainly exported through Vizag, Madras.