

Shifting of textile mills to interiors

557. SHRI G. S. BASAVARAJU :
SHRI H. N. NANJE GOWDA :

Will the Minister of TEXTILES be pleased to state :

(a) whether the Union Government have agreed in favour of mills in cities and metropolitan areas shifting to the interiors if mill owners and workers come to an understanding; and

(b) if so, the particulars of mills which would be shifting to interiors ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF TEXTILES (SHRI RAM NIWAS MIRDHA) : (a) and (b) Under the existing provisions of the Industries (Development & Regulation) Act 1951 no powers are available for shifting of Industries which have gone into production from cities and other metropolitan areas to other areas.

**Chinese help to Tripura and Punjab
Extremists**

558. SHRI G. S. BASAVARAJU :
SHRI S. M. GURADDI :
DR. B. L. SHAILESH :

Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state ;

(a) whether it is a fact that the Chinese Government is helping the extremists in Tripura and Punjab;

(b) if so, whether the matter has been taken up with the Chinese Government; and

(c) if so, reaction of China thereto ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI K. NATWAR SINGH) : (a) This is not in Government's knowledge.

(b) and (c) Does not arise.

**Missile testing range in Balasore district
of Orissa**

559. SHRIMATI JAYANTI PATNAIK : Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state :

(a) the year when the country's first combined missile testing range and satellite launching complex on the Orissa seaboard in the Balasore district was mooted;

(b) the estimated cost of the project at that time;

(c) the extent of pollution hazard expected on launching that project; and

(d) the steps taken to make the project pollution free ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF DEFENCE RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT IN THE MINISTRY OF DEFENCE (SHRI ARUN SINGH) : (a) During the year 1979.

(b) About Rs 120 Crores.

(c) and (d) No manufacturing facilities will be set up at the range site. The extent of pollution hazard expected due to this project is nil. The range will be an environmentally clean set up. The question of pollution therefore does not arise.

Export of cotton

560. SHRIMATI JAYANTI PATNAIK : Will the Minister of TEXTILES be pleased to state :

(a) the names of countries showing interest in importing cotton from India; and

(b) the details of the orders placed by those countries ?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF TEXTILES (SHRI S. KRISHNA KUMAR) : (a) and (b) Bangladesh, Czechoslovakia, France, Hongkong, Indonesia, South Korea, Japan, Singapore, Switzerland, Spain, Sri Lanka, and United Kingdom have shown interest in importing staple cotton from India. Contracts for export of 2,01,112 bales of staple cotton, 30,000 bales of Bengal Deshi to these countries have been registered so far.

Attack on Indian Embassy in Peru

561. SHRI MAHENDRA SINGH :

SHRIMATI N.P. JHANSI
LAKSHMI :

SHRI BANWARI LAL PURO-
HIT :

SHRI MUKUL WASNIK :

SHRI T. BALA GOUD :

SHRI R.M. BHOYE :

Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state :

(a) whether the Indian Embassy at Peru was attacked by guerrillas with a dynamite and machine-guns on January 24, 1987,

(b) if so, what were the casualties and other damage suffered during the attack;

(c) what action has since been taken by the Peruvian Government to apprehend the culprits; and

(d) what steps have been taken by Government of India to protect the persons and property of Indian Mission ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI EDUARDO FALEIRO) : (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) No official of the Embassy received any injury. Three Peruvian police guards were killed during the attack. Some windows of the Chancery were shattered and

the private car of the Charge d'Affaires badly damaged.

(c) Peruvian police have reportedly rounded up about 400 suspects.

(d) The Government of Peru have been requested to ensure adequate protection for the security of the Embassy. The Embassy is looking for suitable alternative accommodation with better security.

Setting up of a pilot export test house

562. SHRI MAHENDRA SINGH : Will the Minister of COMMERCE be pleased to state :

(a) whether a pilot export test house is being set up in Bombay;

(b) if so, the details and the cost of the project; and

(c) by when the pilot test house is expected to be Commissioned ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE (SHRI P. R. DAS MUNSI) : (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The Test House will have three major sectional laboratories—mechanical, electrical and chemical with 13 sub-sections for testing of products for various characteristics. The estimated cost of the project is Rs. 277.32 lakhs.

(c) By the end of March, 1988.

Increase in strength of police force in Goa

563. SHRI SHANTARAM NAIK : Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state :

(a) whether the existing police force in Goa has been found to be inadequate even to meet an average law and order situation;