

continued during 1985. During the 6th Round of Official Level talks held between India and China in November 1985, both sides commenced substantive discussions on the boundary question. A settlement of the question of Indian Embassy property in Beijing was reached. Programmes of Cultural and Scientific and Technological exchanges in various fields of mutual interest were also finalised. A Trade Protocol between India and China was signed in November 1985.

(b) Considerable preparatory work requires to be done and a proper atmosphere conducive to a final settlement of the boundary question has to be created, before any special initiatives are undertaken.

[Translation]

**Construction of Kimtoli-Rosal Road
in Pithoragarh (U.P.)**

1497. SHRI HARISH RAWAT : Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state :

(a) whether necessary approval has been accorded for the construction of the proposed Kimtoli-Rosal Road in district Pithoragarh (U.P.) under Forest Act;

(b) if so, when;

(c) whether the approval of Union Government is also necessary to acquire unmeasured land for this construction work under the said Act; and

(d) if not, whether this position has since been clarified to the concerned State Government ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS (SHRI Z.R. ANSARI) : Yes, Sir.

(b) On 23rd March, 1985

(c) & (d) Under the provisions of the Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980, the prior approval of the Central Government is required before any forest land is used for any non-forest purpose.

[English]

Implementation of 20-Point Programme

1498. SHRI AKHTAR HASAN :
SHRI MURLIDHAR MANE :
SHRI BANWARI LAL
PUROHIT :
SHRI GURUDAS KAMAT :
SHRIMATI JAYANTI :
PATNAIK :
SHRI S.G. GHOLAP :

Will the Minister of PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTATION be pleased to state :

(a) whether instructions have been given afresh by Union Government to the States to implement the 20-Point Programme effectively;

(b) if so, the reactions of the States in the matter; and

(c) whether the position regarding the implementation is reviewed at intervals with the respective States :

THE MINISTER OF PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTATION (SHRI A.B.A. GHANI KHAN CHOUDHURY) : (a) No such instructions have been given by the Ministry of Programme Implementation.

(b) Does not arise.

(c) No, Sir. From time to time States' attention is drawn to the points in which performance is poor and to the need for taking effective steps for their speedy implementation.

Defence Production Units in Bihar

1499. SHRIMATI KISHORI SINHA : Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state :

(a) whether there are any defence production units located in Bihar;

(b) if so, their location and types of arms manufactured by them;