

tion of the prolongation of the strike as a result of what the Prime Minister told the employees

**Supply of Coal for Industries for Brick Kilns in Punjab**

1920 DR BALDEV PRAKASH Will the Minister of ENERGY be pleased to state

(a) the quantity of coal supplied to Punjab for industries and brick kilns in the year 1976 and 1977 upto December,

(b) whether Government have received any representations from the Industries—Brick Kiln Association that they were not receiving any supplies of coal and the industries are virtually at the verge of collapse, and

(c) the reasons for non-availability of coal and the action taken by Government to normalise the supply?

THE MINISTER OF ENERGY (SHRI P RAMACHANDRAN) (a) The quantity of coal supplied to the brick kilns in Punjab during 1977 was about 888 lakh tonnes as against about 446 lakh tonnes supplied during 1976. About 646 lakh tonnes of steam coal was supplied to the industries in Punjab in 1977 as against 669 lakh tonnes supplied in 1976

(b) There had been some representations about shortage of coal faced by the industries and the brick kilns in Punjab

(c) The production of coal during this year had suffered due to heavy rains followed by the strike in the explosives factory at Gomia resulting in inadequate availability of steam coal for some time. The production has, however substantially improved since December, 1977 and there is now enough coal at the pitheads to meet in full the requirements of the industries and the brick kilns

**विज्ञान और अन्तर्िक्ष प्रौद्योगिकी में कनाडा के साथ सम्झौता**

1921. श्री राजेन्द्र कुमार शर्मा : क्या विज्ञान और प्रौद्योगिकी मन्त्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि

(क) क्या विज्ञान और अन्तर्िक्ष प्रौद्योगिकी में कनाडा के साथ कोई नया सम्झौता हुआ है

(ख) यदि हा तो तन्मन्बन्धा मुख्य बातें क्या हैं और

(ग) क्या कनाडा सरकार ने इस प्रयोजन के कुछ आर्थिक सहायता देने की पेशकश की है, और यदि हा तो बितनी ?

**प्रधान मंत्री (श्री मोरारजी देसाई) :**

(क) जा नहीं।

(ख) और (ग) प्रश्न नहीं उठता।

**Return of Rebel Nagas from China**

1922 SHRI S S SOMANI Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state

(a) whether it is a fact that a group of rebel Nagas which went to Yunnan province of China for training in guerrilla warfare and for procuring arms has since returned to Kachin area of Burma across Nagaland, and

(b) if so, Government's reaction thereto?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI S D PATIL) (a) According to information available two groups of underground Nagas have returned from China and are now reported to be in Burma across our international border