

### Determination of Representative Character of Unions

1297. PROF. MADHU DANDAVATE: Will the Minister of LABOUR be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have evolved in consultation with the Central Trade Union Organisations any acceptable formula for determining the representative character of trade union; and

(b) if so, the salient features of this formula?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF LABOUR (SHRI T. ANJIAH): (a) and (b). Government held discussion with five Central Trade Union Organisations recently regarding the procedure for determining the representative character of the unions. At the last meeting held on 8th May, 1980 it was agreed that the organisations would discuss the question among themselves and come forward with a formula. It is proposed to hold another meeting with them to decide the issue.

### Technical Co-operation among Developing Countries

1298. SHRI S. M. KRISHNA: Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether India was represented at the high-level meeting on review of Technical Co-operation among Developing Countries (TCDC) held in Geneva in May last;

(b) if so, the measures for pooling of resources and transfer of technology among developing countries proposed by India and the reaction of the participating countries thereto; and

(c) the outcome of the Conference?

THE MINISTER OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI P. V. NARASIMHA RAO): (a) Yes Sir.

(b) and (c). Some concrete proposals and suggestions originated and piloted by the Indian delegation resulted from the meeting. They were accepted and find a place in the documents adopted by the Conference. The meeting invited developing countries to cooperate in strengthening and developing their transport and communication linkages and more specifically to identify transport and communication capacities and needs, organise general training and research and exchange expert and consultancy services. They were also asked to share their accumulated experience in planning and dealing with enormous problems facing rural and urban communities including problem of migration of rural population to cities. They were requested to identify national research and training centres having the capacity to undertake technical cooperation activities with multi-national scope. The meeting invited the Development Banks and Funds to include, subject to their constitutional procedures, the use of capacities and supplies of developing countries to a greater extent in their projects involving developing countries. Organisations of the U.N. Development Systems were also requested to take action which could enable greater technical cooperation among developing countries in joint ventures, supply of equipments for projects expansion of inter-agency procurement services, sub-contracting, consultancies and training facilities in projects financed by U.N. Development System.

Measures were also suggested for enhancing the financial resources available for TCDC.

### Number of visa Applications by Pakistani Nationals

1299. SHRI JANARDHANA POOJARY: Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) the number of applications received during 1979 from Pakistani nationals for issue of visas and the number to whom visas were issued;