## Nandgaon Loco Shed Shifting .

6134. SHRI GEORGE FERNANDES: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether there is a proposal to shift the Railway Loco Shed from Nandgaon to some other centre;
  - (b) if so, the reasons therefor;
- (c) whether the Railway Loco Shed Bachao Kriti Samiti has submitted a representation against the shifting of location; and
- (d) if so, the Government's reaction thereto?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS AND IN THE DEPARTMENT OF PARLIA-MENTARY AFFAIRS (SHRI MAL-LIKARJUN): (a) and (b). Railways have plans to progressively rationalise the mode of traction and gradually replace steam traction which is comparatively uneconomic, by diesel electric traction. Consequently, wherever steam services have been eliminated as a result of dieselisation electrification, steam sheds may have to be closed down as part of rationalisation. With the elimination of through steam traction on Igatpuri-Bhusaval electrified section, a major portion of repair and maintenance of steam locomotives has been shifted to Manmad. Therefore, Nandgaon shed is no longer being used for homing steam locomotives. The Shed, however, is presently being used for servicing and coaling outstation locomotives.

(c) and (d). A representation dated 6-3-81 has been received by Central Railway and is being looked into.

## Arms Sale to Pak

6135. SHRI S. M. KRISHNA: Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government's attention has been drawn to the statement made

by the Pakistani Foreign Minister Mr. Agha Shahi in London 'arms sales to Pakistan should not be determined by acceptability to India' as reported in the Times of India, New Delhi dated the 3rd March, 1981 (P. 7); and

(b) if so, the reaction of Government thereto?

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

(b) India has consistently held that the induction of arms into Pakistan by the U.S. for purposes of confronting any country is likely to bring great power confrontation into our immediate negihbourhood, trigger off an arms race, cause a set back to the process of normalisation within the subcontinent and adversely affect the security and stability of the countries of this region. It is in this context that the Government of India assured the Government of Pakistan that India poses no threat whatsoever to them. At the same time the Government of India has also expressed its grave concern to the U.S. Government over its reported decision to sell arms to Pakistan within the framework of the U.S. policy of strengthening its position in the region vis-a-vis the Soviet Union.

रेल सुरका (विशेष) इस दे बंधान

6136 श्री वया राम शाक्य: क्या रेल मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि:

- (क) क्या रेल सुरक्षः (विशेष) बल के कुछ जयानों को नयम्बर, 1980 में उनकी सैवा से निकाल दिया गया था; ग्रीर
- (ख) यदि हां तो उनके विरुद्ध क्या भारोप लगाए गये भौर उन्हें सेवा से निकाले जाने के क्या कारण थे?

रेल गंबालय तथा संसदीय कार्य विमाग में उपशंती (श्री मल्लिकार्जुन) : (क) जो, हां।

(ख) रेलवे सुरक्षा बल के दस कर्म-चारियां को नवम्बर, 1980 में उनका गम्भोर अनुशासनहीनता के कारण नौकरो से बर्खास्त कर दिया क्योंकि उन्होंने भूख हड़ताल करने और सामृहिक सिक रिपोर्ट करने के लिए कर्मचारियों को बहकाने ग्रीर उकसाने में महत्वपूर्ण। भूमिका निभाई था; स्वीकृत छुट्टो से अधिक समय तक छुट्टो पर रहने और बिना किसी प्राधिकार या सूचना के इयटो से अधिक समय तक अनुपस्थित रहने के कारण चार ग्रन्य कर्मचारियों को भी सेवा से हटाया गया।

## Refugees Infiltrating from Bhutan

CHANDRA 6137. SHRI RAMA RATH: Will the Minister of EXTER-NAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

- · (a) whether it is a fact that a large number of refugees are infiltrating into India from Bhutan;
- (b) whether most of them are Tibetan origin:
- (c) the reasons of their leaving Bhutan; and
- (d) the details about the rehabilitation measures which Government propose to take in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI P.V. NARASIMHT RAO): (a) to (c). No Sir, there has been no infiltration of refugees from Bhutan to India. However, in response to requests from the Royal Government of Bhutan and His Holiness the Dalai Lama, the Government of India have agreed to accept 1500 Tibetan refugees from Bhutan out of the 3000 who had declined to opt for Bhutanese citizenship, for resettlement in India.

(d) Out of the 1500 Tibetan refugees which the Government of India have

agreed to take for resettlement in India, about 640 Tibetan refugees are being rehabilitated in the State of Karnataka in existing Tibetan settlements. For the settlement of others, the Department of Rehabilitation is making efforts to locate places in other States in consultation with the State Governments.

### News Item 'Gold Found in Human Semen'

6138. SHRI ARJUN SETHI:

#### SHRI K. MALLANNA:

Will the Minister of HEALTH & FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Government's attention has been drawn to the news appeared in 'Deccan Herald' on the 13th January, 1981 that a physician claims to have found gold in human semen;
- (b) whether it is also a fact that he claims that gold is found in all the seman samples studied by him through the 'spectroscopic analysis method; and
  - (c) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMI-LY WELFARE (SHRI NIHAR RAN-JAN LASKAR): (a) Yes.

- (b) Yes.
- (c) The Indian Council of Medical Research is not aware of any published scientific data based on the examination of a large number of semen samples where presence of gold has been reported in human semen.

# Wagons required by Railways

6139. SHRI SUBHASH CHANDRA BOSE ALLURI: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) what are the requirement of wagons for the Railways for the years 1978, 1979 and 1980;
- (b) what was the total number of wagons ordered and how many of them were received every year;