

abroad of Indian Naval Hydrographic personnel and payment for the services of hydrographic experts and consultants obtained from abroad.

Representation of Prativaksha Mazdoor Sangh

1749. SHRI S. MURUGIAN : Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to refer to the replies given to USQ No. 6893 on 8th April, 1981 and 3409 on 9th September, 1981 and state :

(a) the progress made in respect of the various demands made in representation of Prativaksha Mazdoor Sangh, Ambarnath (Maharashtra) ; and

(b) the specific reasons of such inordinate delay in taking a final decision about the pending demands, and the nature of efforts being made to expedite a decision in this regard ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF DEFENCE (SHRI SHIVRAJ V. PATIL) : (a) and (b). The various demands made in the representation of the Prativaksha Mazdoor Sangh were discussed by the local management with the representatives of the Sangh and position in regard thereto was explained to them. Action for implementation of the demands which have been accepted has either been taken or is in progress.

Cooperation with France

1750. SHRI JANARDHANA POOJARY : Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state :

(a) whether Government are considering cooperation with France in the field of armament technology ;

(b) whether the meetings with French experts have been held in this regard ; and

(c) if so, the details thereof ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF DEFENCE (SHRI SHIVRAJ V. PATIL) : (a) to (c). As a measure of modernisation of our weapons and equipment, Government are considering evaluation of various systems available in Eastern and Western countries, including France, and are having a dialogue with all concerned for procurement as well as for obtaining technology wherever such technology is not available indigenously within the required time-frame. It is, however, not in public interest to disclose details in this regard.

Country made Handgrenades found in Delhi

1751. SHRI JANARDHANA POOJARY : Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state :

(a) whether a number of country made handgrenades were found in an abandoned school building in Kashmere Gate area, Delhi on 19th October, 1981 ;

(b) whether these have been sent to Central Forensic Science Laboratory for examination ;

(c) whether any report has been submitted by the laboratory if so, the details thereof and ;

(d) whether further investigation have been made in this regard ; and if so, the details thereof ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI YOGENDRA MAKWANA) : (a) On 19th October 1981, 7 country-made bombs were found in a bag in a room of the abandoned building of the Government Technical Senior Secondary School, Kashmere Gate, Delhi.

(b) Yes, Sir.

(c) The report is still awaited.

(d) Further investigation is being carried out.