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pilfered from NDDB stores recently and since the theft occurred while the items were in the charge of Kandla Port Trust senior NDDB Officials could not investigate the matter in which the truck used bore a fake number plate; and

(b) if so, details thereof together with action taken therein?

THE MINISTER OF SHIPPING AND TRANSPORT (SHRI VEERENDRA PATIL): (a) It is not correct to say that 50 filled drums received as foreign gift were stolen while they were in charge of the Kandla Port Trust.

(b) Does not arise.

## Appointment of Member-Secretary of Indian Council of Historical Research

2819. SHRI ANAND SINGH: Will the Minister of EDUCATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether  $a_s$  soon as the previous Government appointed a new Chairman of the Indian Council of Historical Research, he vested the present Director of the Council with the power of the Acting Member-Secretary of the Council;

(b) if so, whether a few M.Ps. and also a Cabinet Minister had written to the Education Minister about the necessity of appointing a Member-Secretary and ending the ad-hoc arrangement;

(c) whether the proposal for appointing Member-Secretary of the Council was also given by its Chairman which was shelved; and

(d) if so, whether Government propose to appoint the Member-Secretary of the Council and bring to book the officers who have delayed this appointment?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRIES OF EDUCA-TION AND CULTURAL AND SOCIAL WELFARE (SHRIMATI SHEILA KAUL): (a) No, Sir. (b) The need for appointment of a regular Member-Secretary was emphasised by a few Members of Parliament in 1977.

(c) Yes, Sir.

(d) The Administrative Committee of the Indian Council of Historical Research created a post of Secretary in place of Member-Secretary but could not appoint a Secretary. The Director of the Indian Council of Historical Research was asked to shoulder the full responsibilities for the entire administrative work of the Council both as Director as well as Secretary (not as Member-Secretary). Later on, the then Chairman of the Council under his emergency powers created a post of Deputy Secretary in lieu of the rost of Secretary and accordingly the duties of the post of Secretary were entrusted to the Deputy Secretary. Since there has been no delay there is no question of bringing to book any officer.

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28 20. श्री फूल चन्द वर्माः क्या विदेश मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि:

(क) क्या रूस के टेलीविजन पर पाकि-स्तान के ग्रगुबम बनाने के स्यान की फिल्म का प्रसारण किया गया था;

(ख) यदि हां, तो क्या इससे पाकिस्तानी जनरलों का म्रणुबम बनाने की सनक का भंडाफोड़ हुम्रा है ;

(ग) यदि हां, तो इस बारे में सरकार की क्या प्रतिक्रिया है; ग्रौर

(घ) तत्संबंबी पूरा ब्गीरा का है ?