

(c) if so, whether this had been done and the outcome thereof ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI A. A. RAHIM) : (a) Yes, Sir. The Conference took note of the report submitted by the Foreign Ministers of Cuba, India, Zambia and the Head of the Political Department of the Palestine Liberation Organization who had been mandated by the Conference of Foreign Ministers' of Non-aligned countries held in Delhi in February 1981 to make all possible efforts to contribute to the implementation of the principles of non-alignment with regard to the conflict between Iran and Iraq.

(b) and (c) During the Seventh Non-aligned Summit in New Delhi an overwhelming view was expressed that the Non-aligned Movement should exert every effort to bring about a speedy and peaceful termination of the Iran-Iraq conflict. While appealing to both Iran and Iraq to bring an immediate end to this war, the Prime Minister said that she would continue consultations and take all appropriate measures towards achieving this objective.

Seniority/Confirmation list of S. Ms A.S. Ms
Delhi Division

6147. SHRI RAM SINGH SHAKYA : Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that Delhi Division Northern Railway has not circulated fresh Seniority List and Confirmation List for the last 8 years of S. Ms and A. S. Ms; and

(b) if so, the time upto which action is likely to be taken to circulate the confirmation list ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI C. K. JAFFAR SHARIEF) : (a) No.

(b) Does not arise.

Steam Coal and Hard Coke Quota for Punjab

6148. SHRI R. L. BHATIA : Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state :

(a) whether with a view to meet the present pace of industrial development in the Punjab State, representations have been made to the Centre by that State for enhancing the existing quota of steam coal and hard coke to 50,000 and 15,000 wagons respectively ;

(b) whether it is a fact that the Director, Rail Movement, Calcutta has been spurning this request from time to time; and

(c) if so, whether he will have the matter looked into afresh and see that the quota for this industrial upcoming State is raised soon ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI C. K. JAFFAR SHARIEF) : (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The ceiling limit for each State is fixed each year after taking into consideration the views of the Sponsoring Authority of each State at the annual meetings fixed for this purpose. During such meeting with representative of Director of Industries, Punjab it was pointed out by Director Movement (Railways) that programme actually submitted by the consumer or their agent in 1982 was even below the ceiling limit fixed for the State in the year 1982.

(c) Does not arise.

Literacy Among Females and Males in India

6149. SHRI ASHFAQ HUSSAIN : Will the Minister of EDUCATION AND CULTURE be pleased to state :

(a) what is the percentage of literacy among the females and males in India ;

(b) State-wise figures for 1961, 1971 and 1981 ;