Import of Cement

4651. SHRI A. NEELALOHITHA-DASAN NADAR : Will the Minister of INDUSTRY be pleased to state :

(a) the total quantity of Cement imported annually from various countries by India; and

(b) the names of the countries from which it is imported along with the quantity imported from each of them ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY (SHRI S.M. KRISHNA): (a) and (b)

Year	Import (lakh tonnes)
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1980-81	19.74
1981-82	15.98
1982-83	15.43

The countries from which imports were effected during these years include South Korea, DPR Korea, Japan, Indonesia, Philippines, Vietnam, Taiwan & Poland.

Lathi Charge by Policemen

4652. DR. A.U. AZMI: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state :

(a) whether attention of Government has been drawn to the news item "Cops charge leaves man wither son" appearing in the Indian Express of 23 Novemcer, 1983;

(b) if so, the details of the lathi eharge and why was an innocent beaten so mercilessly and whether the boy has been traced now; and

(c) whether Government propose to rehabilitate a shattered innocent and deal firmly with the erring policemen ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS. (SHRI P. VENKATASUBBAIAH): (a) Yes, Sir. (b) and (c) On 27th October. 1983, a mob of about two thousand persons attacked the office of the Agricultural Produce Marketing Committee. The crowd induled in burning furniture, etc. of the Committee and pelted stones and soda water bottles also on the Police. In order to control the situation, it was necessary to resort to tear gasing and mild lathi charge.

On 6.11. 1983. Shri Sant Ram lodged a complaint at police Station Adarsh Nagar about missing of his 13 years old son. Every effort is being made to trace out the boy.

"Preservation of Sundarbans Tiger Project Area"

4653. SHRI SANAT KUMAR MAN-NDAL): Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state :

(a) whether Government's attention has been invited to the news item captioned 'Man-eaters of Sundarbans' appearing in the 'Hindustam Times', New Delhi, dated the 25 November, 1983; and

(b) if so the steps being taken to preserve the Sundarbans tiger project area by maintaining its entire ecosystem in Optimum condition for supporting its viable population commensurate with maximum carrying capacity of the habitat ?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENT (SHRI DIGVIJAY SINH) : (a) Yes Sir.

(b) The management of Sunderbans Tiger Reserve is aimed at maintaining the entire eco-system in as natural a state as possible and all efforts are being made to this end.

Import of on Ferrous Metals

4654. SHRI P.K. KODIYAN : Will the Minister of STEEL AND MINES be pleased to state :

(a) whether India continues to depend on forcing countries for the supply of nonferrous metals :