

अपेक्षित पाठ्य पुस्तकें राष्ट्रीय शैक्षिक अनुसंधान तथा प्रशिक्षण परिषद द्वारा जुलाई 1983 की समाप्ति से पूर्व उपलब्ध करा दी गई हैं।

(च) प्रश्न नहीं उठता।

Hindi as Working Language in Non-Aligned Movement

5060. SHRI S.B. SIDNAL : Will the Minister of EDUCATION AND CULTURE be pleased to state :

(a) whether during the Third World Hindi Conference it was urged that the non-aligned movement should adopt Hindi as one of its working languages ;

(b) whether Government propose to take initiative in this regard ; and

(c) if so, the details thereof ?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRIES OF EDUCATION AND CULTURE AND SOCIAL WELFARE (SHRI P.K. THUNGON): (a) to (c). According to the information furnished by the organisers of the Third World Hindi Conference, a suggestion was made during the Conference by a foreign scholar to the effect that Hindi could be adopted as one of the working language for the non-aligned movement. This question was however not debated and discussed in detail, even though it was considered as one of the dimensions in the use of Hindi as an international language and so the Conference passed a Resolution to the effect that every effort should be made to promote the cause of making Hindi as an international language.

Arabic, English, French and Spanish are the four official working languages of the non-aligned movement. The question of adoption of Hindi as one of the working official languages of the movement is to a very great extent inter-linked with the status of Hindi in the U.N.

Branch Secretary Northern Railwaymen's Union Faizabad

5061. SHRI GEORGE FERNANDES : Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be

pleased to state :

(a) whether the Branch Secretary of the Northern Railwaymen's Union Faizabad was killed by goondas in Faizabad on 7 August, 1983 ;

(b) whether it resulted in a spontaneous strike by the workmen demanding the immediate arrest of those responsible for the heinous crime ;

(c) whether any person have since been arrested ; and

(d) whether any of the strikers have been dismissed ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI C.K. JAFFER SHARIEF) : (a) Yes, Sir. The Branch Secretary of the Northern Railwaymen's Union, Faizabad, was assaulted by some persons on 8-8-83 and he died while being taken to the hospital for attention.

(b) While there was no spontaneous strike on the day of occurrence of this incident, on the subsequent day, some railway employees and outsiders disrupted the railway working allegedly protesting against the incident.

(c) 2 persons were arrested by the Police and 5 surrendered in the Court of law. They have since been challaned to stand trial in the Court of Chief Judicial Magistrate, Faizabad.

(d) In connection with these incidents, 4 persons were initially dismissed, but have since been reinstated.

Adulterated Aerated Water at Stations

5062. SHRI R.P. DAS : Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state :

(a) whether attention of his Ministry has been drawn to a news item appearing in Calcutta Statesman, dated 12 September, 1983 regarding racket in adulterated aerated water which has been thriving on stations ; and