

**Resolution passed by Punjab Congress Committee demanding continuation of Fazilka area in Punjab**

6998. SHRI BIRENDER SINGH ROA: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state :

(a) whether she has received a copy of the resolution from the Punjab Congress Committee asking for revision of her Award on Fazilka and demanding the continuation of this area in Punjab ; and

(b) if so, the reaction of Government thereto ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI C. K. PANT) : (a) Government have seen a news report relating to the Resolution passed by the Punjab Congress Committee in this regard. No copy of the Resolution has, however, been received by the Central Government.

(b) So far as the Central Government is concerned, the decisions already announced remain unchanged.

**Purchase and Sale of Rubber through S.T.C.**

6999. SHRI MALLIKARJUN : Will the Minister of FOREIGN TRADE be pleased to state :

(a) the quantity of rubber purchased by the State Trading Corporation from the growers during the preceding season ;

(b) the quantity of rubber lifted by the manufacturers from the State Trading Corporation's godowns during the above period ;

(c) whether the entire stock is likely to be lifted by the manufacturers presently lying in the Corporation's godowns ; and

(d) if not, how the State Trading Corporation propose to dispose of the rest of the stock ?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF FOREIGN TRADE (SHRI A. C. GEORGE) : (a) 10625 metric tons of rubber were purchased by the STC from October, 1970, to the 24th July, 1971.

(b) 4426 metric tons.

(c) Yes, Sir.

(d) Does not arise.

**Opening of New Medium Wave Transmitter at Alleppey**

7000. SHRI MALLIKARJUN : Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state :

(a) whether a new medium wave transmitter at Alleppey in Kerela has started functioning ;

(b) the area the new transmitter is likely to cover ; and

(c) whether it will be powerful enough to bring the Laccadive and Minicoy inhabitants also under its coverage ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (SHRIMATI NANDINI SATPATHY) : (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) Districts of Trichur, Ernakulam, Alleppey, Quilon, parts of Palghat, Kottayam and Trivandrum districts and a major portion of the Laccadive & Minicoy islands.

(c) Yes, Sir. Most of the inhabitants of these islands will be able to listen to this station.

**Strike by Workers in Atomic Power Station, Kota**

7001. SHRI MALLIKARJUN : Will the Minister of ATOMIC ENERGY be pleased to stated :

(a) whether more than 3,000 workers working in the Atomic Power Plant, Kota, Rajasthan, are on strike for over two weeks ;

(b) if so, their main demands ; and

(c) the steps taken by Government to fulfil their demands ?

THE PRIME MINISTER, MINISTER OF ATOMIC ENERGY, MINISTER OF