

having requisite qualification and experience. Since the number of such persons was not large, ISRO has also proposed a training programme for deserving persons among the evicted to assist them to qualify for future employment in the ISRO units.

Selection of Candidates in Indian Space Research Organisation, Thumba (Kerala)

6257. SHRI VAYALAR RAVI : Will the Minister of ATOMIC ENERGY be pleased to state :

(a) whether Government have received any complaint of corruption in the selection of candidates for employment in the Indian Space Research Organization, Thumba, Kerala ; and

(b) if so, the action taken to check such corrupt practices.

THE PRIME MINISTER, MINISTER OF ATOMIC ENERGY, MINISTER OF HOME AFFAIRS AND MINISTER OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING SHRIMATI INDIRA GANDHI : (a) and (b). A few complaints of a general nature have been received and, on investigation, were found to contain no substance, except in one case, where the services of the concerned employee have been terminated.

Auto Exchange System for Cochin

6258. SHRI VAYALAR RAVI : Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state :

(a) whether Government are considering the necessity of speedy inter-communications of the fast developing industrial city of Cochin ;

(b) whether Government propose to include the City of Alwaye also in the Auto Exchange System at Cochin ; and

(c) if so, the steps taken so far in the matter ?

THE MINISTER OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI H. N. BAHUGUNA) : (a) Intercommunication in the entire Cochin area is already prevalent by means of automatic dialling which is considered to be a speedy mode of intercommunication.

(b) No, Sir. Alwaye is about 20 Kms. from Cochin and forms a separate telephone system of its own. It does not form a part of Cochin telephone system.

(c) Does not arise please.

Recovery of Rifles and Rounds in Jalpaiguri District (West Bengal)

6259. SHRI MALLIKARJUN : Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state :

(a) whether the Police have recovered two rifles and 50 rounds of ammunition with Pakistani ordnance factory markings from two areas under the jurisdiction of the Kotwali Police Station in Jalpaiguri District on the 9th July, 1971 ;

(b) whether the firearms were also dug out from a field near a refugee camp at Gopastapara ; and

(c) if so, the number of persons arrested in this connection ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS AND IN THE DEPARTMENT OF PERSONNEL (SHRI RAM NIWAS MIRDHA) : (a) to (c). The required information is being collected and will be laid on the table of the House on receipt.

Arrest of Pak Spies in the Country

6260. SHRI VIKRAM CHAND MAHAJAN : Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state :

(a) the total number of Pakistani spies arrested during the last four months in various parts of the country ;

(b) the break-up of Pakistani spies arrested, area-wise ;

(c) whether some of the spies have escaped from the judicial custody ;

(d) the circumstances under which they could escape ;

(e) the steps taken to re-arrest them and against the persons responsible for their escape ; and