

exact number is not known. As regards East Bengal, we do not have any confirmed information about the presence of any Naga rebels there.

(d) No such approaches have been made. The Government's policy in the matter is well known and has been explained in Parliament on a number of occasions. A solution of the Naga problem was reached with the Naga leaders in 1960. This solution was ratified by the people of Nagaland in the last general elections, to the State Assembly. Government do not intend holding any further political talks with the underground Nagas. Nagas, as Indian citizens, are, however, free to make suggestions for the betterment of Nagaland to the Governor and the Government of Nagaland.

Fresh Influx of Refugees from Bangla Desh to Eastern Border States

779. SHRI ROBIN KAKOTI : Will the Minister of LABOUR AND REHABILITATION be pleased to state :

(a) whether there is again a rush of evacuees into Meghalaya, Assam and Tripura from the month of September and onwards ; and

(b) if so, the reasons of such fresh influx of evacuees into India from Bangla Desh ?

THE MINISTER OF LABOUR AND REHABILITATION (SHRI R. K. KHADILKAR) : (a) and (b). Influx is continuing on account of unsettled conditions in Bangla Desh due to Civil War and continued atrocities perpetrated by the Pakistan Army.

Visit by team of Central Officials to Bangla Desh Refugee camps at Balat and Mailan

780. SHRI ROBIN KAKOTI : Will the Minister of LABOUR AND REHABILITATION be pleased to state :

(a) whether a team of five senior Central Officials visited the Bangla Desh refugees camps at Balat and Mailan on the 6th October, and another camp at Sarbhog on the 7th October, 1971 on a fact finding mission about the camps ;

(b) the other camps visited by this

team during their tour in Assam, Meghalaya and Tripura ?

THE MINISTER OF LABOUR AND REHABILITATION (SHRI R. K. KHADILKAR) : (a) Yes. A Central Team consisting of five senior Officials visited Balat and Mailan camps in Meghalaya on 6th October, 1971. Four of these officials also visited Sorbhog in Assam on 8th October, 1971.

(b) The Team also visited Central Camp at Changseri in Assam on 3rd October, 1971. It did not go to Tripura on this occasion but visited later in the month from 27th October to 29th October, 1971.

Reorganisation of Hindustan Steel Limited

781. SHRI NAGESHWARA RAO : Will the Minister of STEEL AND MINES be pleased to state :

(a) whether Hindustan Steel Limited has been recently re-organised for better performance ; and

(b) if so, the changes made in the different units of Hindustan Steel Limited ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF STEEL AND MINES (SHRI SHAHNAWAZ KHAN) : (a) and (b) There has been no re-organisation of Hindustan Steel Ltd. A number of top posts that became vacant have been or are being filled up.

Violation of Indo-Ceylon Agreement by Ceylon

782. SHRIMATI BHARGAVI THANKAPPAN : Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state :

(a) whether Ceylon have repeatedly violated the Indo-Ceylon agreement on the future of Indians in Ceylon ; and

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

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI SURENDRA PAL SINGH) : (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.