गृह मंत्रालय में उप मंत्री (श्री एफ० एच० मोहसिन) : (क) जी हां, श्रीमान् ।

(ख) मई, 1974 में सदर बाजार क्षेत्र के दंगों से प्रभावित इस क्षेत्र में विधि व व्यवस्था की स्थिति बिगड़ने के कारण उप-चुनाव स्थगित किया गया था ।

लखनऊ विश्वविद्यालय में रूसी विद्यार्थियों की जासूसी गतिविधियां

3744. **श्री हुकम चन्द कछवाय** : क्या गृह मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि

(क) क्या सरकार का ध्यान दिनांक 28 अप्रैल, 1974 के साप्ताहिक में प्रकाशित इस समाचार की ओर दिलाया है कि लखनऊ विश्वविद्यालय में रूसी छात्र तथा छात्रायें जासूसी गतिविधियों में कार्यरत ?

(ख) क्या सरकार ने इस समाचार की प्रमाणिकता की जांच की है, और

(ग) यदि हां तो तत्सम्बन्धी तथ्य क्या है और इस बारे में सरकार द्वारा क्या कार्यवाही की गई है ?

गृह मंत्रालय में उप-मंत्री (श्री एफ० एच० मोहसिन) : (क) जी हां श्रीमान् । (ख) और (ग) पूछ-ताछ से अभी तक ऐसी किसी सामग्री का पता नहीं लगा है जिससे जासूसी के आरोपों का समर्थन होता हो । स्थिति पर निगरानी रखी जा रही है ।

Complaint against Issue of Industrial Licences to Eastern States

3745 SHRI N K SANGHI Will the Minister of INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT AND SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY be pleased to state.

(a) whether the Chief Minister of West Bengal has complained to the Centre that discrimination is being shown by the Centre towards the Eastern States including West Bengal in matters of issuing industrial licences,

(b) if so, whether Government have examined the precise grounds on which the complaint was made; and

(c) if so the outcome of the enquiry and the nature of steps taken to set right the imbalance?

THE MINISTER OF INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT AND SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY AND AGRICULTURE (SHRI C SUBRAMANIAM) (a) to (c) In April, 1974, the Chief Minister of West Bengal had addressed a letter to the Minister of Industrial Development about the alleged neglect of the eastern region in the matter of industrial licensing The letter was duly examined and the Union Minister in his reply explained that the number of letters of intent issued for a State depends upon the quantity of aplications received from the State as also on their quality namely, the extent to which applications relate to well-conceived investment proposals that conform to our policies and priorities There can be no question of discrimination, even in any implicit or unconscious fashion, for or against any region in India In fact, analysis of letters of intent issued over a three-year period (1971—73) has shown that West Bengal has accounted for 29 per cent of the approvals, which is not too far below the all-India average of 32 per cent for the major states However, the Chairman of the Licensing Committee has been requested to give particular attention to applications from the eastern region.