

(b) if so, when such meeting is likely to take place?

The Minister of External Affairs (Shri Swaran Singh): (a) and (b). The Soviet Press reported the relevant part of the Pakistan President's reply in the following words: Thanking Kossygin for his offer to organise a meeting with the Indian Prime Minister Shastri on Soviet soil. President Ayub Khan expressed the opinion that first it was necessary to prepare the ground for it. In his opinion this could be done first in the Security Council where the Indo-Pakistani conflict is now being considered.

Calcutta Dock Labour Board

244. Shri S. C. Samanta:
Shri M. L. Dwivedi;
Shri Subodh Hansda:

Will the Minister of Labour and Employment be pleased to state:

(a) whether the membership figures of the Labour Unions of the Calcutta Docks have been collected and verified;

(b) if so, whether a statement in the matter will be laid on the Table;

(c) whether the demand of the All-India Port and Dock Workers' Federation to re-constitute the Calcutta Dock Labour Board has been considered; and

(d) if so, the decision taken in the matter?

The Minister of Labour and Employment (Shri D. Sanjivayya): (a) No.

(b) Does not arise.

(c) and (d). The demand for re-constitution of the Calcutta Dock Labour Board will be considered after latest verified membership figures of the Labour Unions of the Calcutta Docks become available.

National Defence Fund

245. Shri S. C. Samanta:
Shri Subodh Hansda:

Shri M. L. Dwivedi:
Dr. P. N. Khan:

Will the Prime Minister be pleased to refer to the reply given to Unstarred Question No. 2018 on the 13th September, 1965 and state:

(a) whether audited statements of accounts of the remaining State Citizens' Councils to whom amounts out of the National Defence Fund were given have since been received;

(b) if so, whether any irregularities have been found therein;

(c) whether the procedure to collect money etc. for the National Defence Fund by the State Governments and individuals has undergone any change; and

(d) if so, what it is?

The Prime Minister and Minister of Atomic Energy (Shri Lal Bahadur Shastri): (a) No.

(b) Does not arise.

(c) No.

(d) Does not arise.

Truth about Indo-Pak. Conflict

246. Shri D. C. Sharma:
Shri Rameshwar Tantia:
Shri Himatsingka:
Shri Linga Reddy:
Shri Madhu Limaye:
Shri Bagri:
Shri P. C. Borooah:
Dr. Ram Manohar Lohia:
Shri Ram Sewak Yadav:
Shri Sidheshwar Prasad:

Will the Minister of Information and Broadcasting be pleased to state:

(a) whether adequate and timely steps were taken to bring out the truth about Indo-Pak. conflict both at home and abroad during the last two months through the A.I.R.; and

(b) if so, the details thereof and the results achieved?