- (b) Yes, Sir. In the draft Fourth Plan, provision has been made for a number of transmitters for border coverage.
- (c) The draft Fourth Plan includes proposals for opening 28 new Radio Stations at an estimated total capital expenditure of Rs. 8.511 crores out of which 19 stations (total estimated capital expenditure of Rs. 6.750 crores) are for border areas. The draft Fourth Plan is, however, yet to be approved by the Planning Commission.

Memorial for Late Prime Minister. Lal Bahadur Shastri

2078. Shri Shree Narayan Das: Shri Prakash Vir Shastri:

Will the Prime Minister be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it is proposed to have a memorial to the late Prime Minister. Lal Bahadur Shastri; and
- (b) if so, the precise proposal under consideration?

The Prime Minister and Minister of Atomic Energy (Shrimati Indira Gandhi): (a) and (b). Government are giving their earnest consideration to the manner in which the memory of the late Prime Minister, Shri Lal Bahadur Shastri, his message to the nation and the causes particularly dear to his heart can be perpetuated and strengthened. Government intend, as soon as their preliminary ideas have taken more concrete shape, to consult informally, representatives of various groups in Parliament in the matter.

Voluntary cut of Newsprint by Newspapers

2079. Shri Bhagwat Jha Azad: Shri Mr. L. Dwivedi: Shri S. C. Samanta: Shri Subodh Hansda: Shri P. C. Borooah:

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

(a) whether the newspapers periodicals in the country using news-2782 (Ai) LS-4

- print have decided to impose a 15 per cent voluntary cut; and
- (b) if so whether they have started doing so?

The Minister of Information Broadcasting (Shri Raj Bahadur): (a) It is understood that the Executive Committee of the Indian and Eastern Newspaper Society, in its meeting on 6th December 1965 passed a resolution recommending a voluntary cut of 15 per cent in the consumption of newsprint. Subsequently the Extraordinary General Meeting of the Society at its meeting of 8th January 1966 reviewed the position since the adoption of this resolution by the Executive Committee and merely urged upon newspaper establishments to take all steps necessary to conserve newsprint.

(b) Does not arise.

Nehru Memorial Fund

2080. Shri Shiv Charan Gupta: Will the Prime Minister be pleased to state how much collection has been made to the Nehru Memorial Fund upto January, 1966.

The Prime Minister and Minister of Atomic Energy (Shrimati Indira Gandhi): The Jawaharlal Memorial Fund is not a Government Fund. According to the information furnished by the Fund authorities, the collections received in their office upto 31st January 1966, were Rs. 96,29,847.00 (approximately). This figure does not include sums which the Regional Sub-Commitees may have collected but not forwarded by this date, nor the col-lections from the Corporate Sector which a Committee of Industrialists is said to be organising.

Publication of Harmful Propaganda

2081, Shri Dasaratha Deb: Will the Minister of External Affairs be pleased to state:

(a) whether attention of Government has been drawn to the feature