

(b) whether some Chinese are also employed in our Embassy in Peking; and

(c) if so, the details of Indians and Chinese employed there and the posts which are being manned by the Chinese in our Embassy?

THE PRIME MINISTER, MINISTER OF ATOMIC ENERGY, MINISTER OF PLANNING AND MINISTER OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRIMATI INDIRA GANDHI): (a) 44.

(b) Yes, Sir.

(c)	(i)	India-based	23
		Chinese	21
	(ii)	<i>posts manned by Chinese:</i>	
		General Assistant	—1
		Translator	—1
		Typists	—3
		Chauffeurs	—2
		Messengers	—10
		Boilerman	—1
		Gardener	—1
		Boilermen- <i>cum</i> - Gardener	—2

India's relations with China

642. SHRI HIMATSINGKA: Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government's attention has been drawn to the strengthening of relations between Japan and China not only in the diplomatic field but also in respect of trade and commerce; and

(b) if so, the steps which have been taken by Government to prevent isolation of India in respect of her relations with China which continue to be hostile?

THE PRIME MINISTER, MINISTER OF ATOMIC ENERGY, MINISTER OF

PLANNING AND MINISTER OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRIMATI INDIRA GANDHI): (a) While the existing trade arrangements between Japan and the Peoples' Republic of China were renewed recently, Government are not aware of any significant developments amounting to strengthening of diplomatic relations between the two countries.

(b) In view of the cordial political, economic and cultural relations between India and Japan, the question of India's isolation in the context of Sino-Japanese activities does not arise.

Commerce Broadcasts by A.I.R.

643. SHRI HIMATSINGKA:
SHRI S. A. AGADI:

Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:

(a) whether the All India Radio has extended its commercial Broadcasts services to Calcutta, Delhi and Madras;

(b) if so, from which dates;

(c) the details of the commercial broadcasting programmes for the different stations of the AIR;

(d) the other Stations to which these broadcasts are proposed to be extended; and

(e) the likely income during the current year on account of the introduction of these broadcasts?

THE MINISTER OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (SHRI K. K. SHAH): (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

(c) At present commercial advertisements are broadcast as spot announcements in the Vividh Bharati Service from Bombay, Poona and Nagpur stations only. Sponsored commercial programmes are not broadcast.

(d) Calcutta, Delhi, Madras, Ahmedabad, Kanpur-Lucknow, Hyderabad and Bangalore.

(e) About Rs. 90 lakhs (gross) including income from the existing service at Bombay.

Commonwealth Prime Minister's Conference

644. SHRI HIMATSINGKA:
SHRIMATI TARKESHWARI
SINHA:
SHRIMATI SUSHILA
ROHATGI:

Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether India has decided to attend the Commonwealth Prime Ministers' Conference to be held late this year possibly in October;

(b) if so, what will be the venue of the said meeting and what are the likely issues to be discussed therein; and

(c) whether Government have proposed any specific issues to be put on the agenda of the meeting and if so, the details thereof?

THE PRIME MINISTER, MINISTER OF ATOMIC ENERGY, MINISTER OF PLANNING AND MINISTER OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRIMATI INDIRA GANDHI): (a) to (c). At a recent meeting of Commonwealth representatives, there was a general consensus that the next Commonwealth Prime Ministers Conference should be held from 7th to 15th January 1969, in London. It is our present intention to participate in the Conference.

2. The Agenda has not yet been finalised. The discussions relating to the Conference were informal and confidential. It is not customary to publicise the agenda in advance.

New Delhi—Washington—Moscow Hot Line

645. SHRI A. K. GOPALAN:
SHRI VISWANATHA MENON:
SHRI P. RAMAMURTI:

Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government's attention has been drawn to the recommendation made by the Institute of Defence Studies and Analysis that a hot line from New Delhi to Washington and Moscow is a necessary component of the strategy, India needs to evolve to counter China's nuclear capability;

(b) if so, the details of recommendations made by the said Institute; and

(c) the reaction of Government thereto?

THE MINISTER OF DEFENCE (SHRI SWARAN SINGH): (a) No recommendation has been made by the Institute for Defence Studies and Analysis, New Delhi, but this suggestion has been made by the author in a contributed paper entitled: "A Strategy for India for a Credible Posture against a Nuclear Adversary", published by the Institute.

(b) and (c). Certain views regarding nuclear strategy for India have been expressed in the above paper. These are merely the personal opinions of the author of the paper. The House is fully aware of the views of the Government on the question of nuclear disarmament and production of nuclear weapons by India.

Non-aligned Summit Meeting

646. SHRI CHANDRA SHEKHAR:
SHRI CHINTAMANI
PANIGRAHI:
SHRI SURENDRANATH
DWIVERY:
SHRI B. N. SHASTRI: