

(b) if not, the reasons therefor; and

(c) the time by which a decision is likely to be taken in the matter ?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF FOREIGN TRADE AND SUPPLY (SHRI CHOUDHARY RAM SEWAK) : (a) No, Sir,

(b) & (c). The suggestion made in this regard is under consideration and a decision is expected to be taken shortly.

Jute Industry Enquiry Body

416. SHRI YASHPAL SINGH :
SHRI YAMUNA PRASAD
MANDAL:

Will the Minister of FOREIGN TRADE AND SUPPLY be pleased to State :

(a) whether there is any proposal under consideration to set up a Jute Industry Inquiry Body under the Commission of Inquiry Act ;

(b) if so, the terms of reference of the body ;

(c) the names and number of members of the body ; and

(d) when the Jute Industry Inquiry Body is likely to submit its report to Government ?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF FOREIGN TRADE AND SUPPLY (SHRI CHOWDHARY RAM SEWAK) : (a) to (d). A Committee has been set up under the Chairmanship of Shri Bibhuti Mishra to advise Government on certain problems relating to the marketing of jute. A copy of the Government Resolution giving the terms of reference and the names of the members of the Committee is laid on the Table of the House. [Placed in Library. See. No. LT—1299/69]

Industrial Ventures in Nepal

417. SHRI S. K. TAPURIAH :
SHRI ZULFIQUAR ALI KHAN :
SHRI H. AJMAL KHAN :
SHRI MEETHA LAL MEENA :
SHRI R. K. AMIN :

Will the Minister of FOREIGN TRADE AND SUPPLY be pleased to state :

(a) whether Government have concluded an agreement for undertaking new industrial ventures in Nepal since May, 1969 ; and

(b) if so, the board details thereof ?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF FOREIGN TRADE AND SUPPLY (SHRI CHOUDHARY RAM SEWAK) : (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

Supply of arms to Pakistan by U. S. A.

418. SHRI S.K. TAPURIAH :
SHRI YAJNA DUTT SHARMA :
SHRI JAI SINGH :
SHRI P.C. ADICHAN :
SHRI HARDAYAL DEVGUN :
SHRI OM PRAKASH TYAGI :
SHRI S.S. KOTHARI :
SHRI R. BARUA :
SHRI N.R. LASKAR :
SHRI MEETHA LAL MEENA :
SHRI BAL RAJ MADHOK :
SHRI BHOGENDRA JHA :
SHRI RAMA CHANDRA
VEERAPPA :
SHRI BIBHUTI MISHRA :
SHRI RABI RAY :
DR. KARNI SINGH :

Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that the United States are likely to lift the arms embargo imposed on Pakistan during the Indo-Pak conflict ;

(b) whether it is also a fact that the Secretary of States for U.S. Mr. Rogers, had assured the Indian Leaders while on a recent visit to India that U.S. will not lift embargo of arms imposed on Pakistan but while visiting Pakistan he did not uphold that view ;

(c) if so, the reaction of Government thereto ; and

(d) whether Government propose to request U.S.A. to supply arms to India also to maintain military balance in the sub-continent ?