

SHRI V. NARASIMHA RAO :
 SHRI N. K. P. SALVE :
 SHRI R. V. NAIK :
 SHRI K. P. SINGH DEO :
 SHRI P. M. SAYEED :
 SHRI MANIBHAI J. PATEL :
 SHRI MAHANT DIGVIJAI
 NATH :
 SHRI D. N. PTODIA :
 SHRI R. K. AMIN :
 SHRI JYOTIRMOY BASU :
 SHRI D.R. PARMAR :

Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state :

(a) whether the Nepalese Government have deported the Dalai Lama's representative in Kathmandu recently ;

(b) if the whether Government have established contact with the Nepalese Government in this regard ;

(c) the reply, if any, received from the Nepalese Government and Government's reaction thereto; and ;

(d) whether the Dalai Lama's representative will be given political asylum in India ?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI SURENDRA PAL SINGH) : (a) Government have seen Press reports to the effect that a Tibetan national, Mr. Sarga was asked to leave Nepal by the authorities there. This matter is within the domestic jurisdiction of Nepal.

(b) to (d). Do not arise.

Use of Fighter Planes by Indian Air Force

1432. SHRI K.M. KOUSHIK :
 SHRI D. AMAT :
 SHRI N. SHIVAPPA :
 SHRI ZULFIKAR ALI KHAN :
 SHRI R.V. NAIK :

Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state :

(a) whether the Indian Air Force has already started the process of ending the

multiplicity of several fighter planes now in use by the Indian Air Force;

(b) if so, how it is proposed to be done; and

(c) the details of blue prints, if any, devised in this regard and also its financial implications ?

THE MINISTER OF DEFENCE (SHRI SWARAN SINGH) : (a) Yes, Sir, The process of ending the multiplicity of fighter planes has already started. Both the Vampires and Toofanis have already gone out of squadron Service.

(b) and (c). It is not desirable to give any further details.

Manufacture of Atom Bomb

1433. SHRI SHRI CHAND GOYAL :
 SHRI P. C. ADICHAN :
 SHRI D. N. PATODIA :
 SHRI ABDUL GHANI DAR :
 SHRI YASHWANT SINGH
 KUSHWAH :

Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state :

(a) the estimated cost in preparing an atom bomb with the most modern and upto-date methods;

(b) whether it is a fact that the Indian Scientists possess the necessary talent to prepare the atom bomb ;

(c) whether it is also a fact that some Indian Scientists employed in foreign countries have the necessary talent and experience of manufacturing atom bomb; and

(d) whether Government have any proposal under contemplation to manufacture atom bombs; if not, why not, and if so, by what time it is likely to achieve the object?

THE PRIME MINISTER, MINISTER OF FINANCE, MINISTER OF ATOMIC ENERGY AND MINISTER OF PLANNING SHRIMATI IND RA GANDHI) : (a) A Special Committee of Experts appointed by the U.N. Secretary General has studied this aspect and a copy