

the anti-Indian militant groups within the limits of the territorial waters of India; and

(b) the steps taken or proposed to be taken to ensure the safety of the Tamil Nadu fishermen and also their rights to fish in our territorial waters?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF DEFENCE (DR. RAJA RAMANNA): (a) No, Sir. However, some reports relating to apprehension of certain Tamil Nadu fishermen by militants in Sri Lankan waters, have been brought to the notice of the Government.

(b) Indian territorial waters are being patrolled by the Navy and the Coast Guard to ensure the safety and the security of our fishermen. Air surveillance of our territorial waters is also being maintained.

Inclusion of Balawadis Under ICDS Project

6843. SHRI RAMESH CHENNITHALA: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government propose to include Balawadis working in Kerala in the Integrated Child Development Services (ICDS) project;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE DEPARTMENT OF WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT IN THE MINISTRY OF WELFARE (SHRIMATI USHA SINHA): (a) and (b). The ICDS project area is community development block. The State Government who is the implementing agency for the programme have to ensure that if there is any Balwadi or Special Nutrition Programme (SNP) Centre in the ICDS project area, the

same will have to be merged in the anganwadis. Instructions to that effect have been issued since the inception of the programme in 1975.

(c) Question does not arise.

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Launch of INSAT-II TS and INSAT-II TSLs

6844. SHRI KASHIRAM RANA: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have chalked out any programme to launch INSAT-II TSLs in Space;

(b) if so, when these satellites are likely to be launched and the amount likely to be incurred on these and the objectives likely to be fulfilled by these satellites; and

(c) the alternative arrangements made by Government to meet the requirements of the country in this respect for the period till these satellites are launched?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY (PROF. M.G.K. MENON): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) INSAT-II (TS) A is scheduled to be launched in November, 1991 and INSAT-II (TS) B, approximately one year later. The total approved project estimate for INSAT-II Test Satellite Project is Rs.403.80 crores which include the expenditure towards the satellites, infrastructure establishment and the launch services.

The main objective of the INSAT-II Test Spacecraft Mission is to establish and demonstrate the indigenous capability to meet the INSAT Space segment requirements during 1990s. The first generation INSAT Satellites will be followed by INSAT-2 opera-