

given in the Seventh Plan on energy items that is, petroleum, coal and electricity, production of basic metals like steel, aluminium, zinc and lead, road transport vehicles, machine tools, fertilizers, petrochemical intermediates, plastics, electronics, synthetic fibres and yarn, sugar, vanaspati, textile etc.

(b) Yes, Sir. The demand-supply balances in the Plan of all these have been worked out on the banks of detailed exercises, comprising a set of material balances and input-output model.

(c) Yes, Sir. The production leaves envisaged in the Plan have been determined keeping in view the demand pattern resulting from the proposed programmes for alleviation of poverty, reduction in un-employment and re-distribution of incomes and consumption.

#### **Shramdan and Youth Participation in Cleaning Ganga**

\*343. SHRI AKHTAR HASAN : Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state :

(a) whether "Shramdan" and youth participation has been included in the relating to purification of Ganga ; and

(b) if so, the extent of public involvement in the scheme ?

THE PRIME MINISTER (SHRI RAJIV GANDHI) : (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) Specific programmes are currently under preparation to secure active participation of the people in the formulation and implementation of Ganga Action Plan.

(i) Activities like "Shramdan" and holding of camps will be organised for the youth in different locations to undertake activities such as cleaning up and maintenance of selected ghats, beautification for river bank, tree plantation, special awareness programme of

understanding river quality and aquatic life etc. ;

(ii) a multi-media and multi-lingual programme to develop public awareness about the problems of river pollution is under preparation.

(iii) Arrangement for dissemination of information about the Ganga Action Plan and its progress is being made in conjunction with the Doordarshan, All India Radio and the Press.

#### **Meeting with President of Pak at Muscat**

\*344. SHRI SATYENDRA NARAYAN SINHA :  
SHRI U.H. PATEL :

Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state :

(a) whether Prime Minister had met President of Pakistan during his visit to Muscat recently;

(b) if so, whether Pakistan President expressed his readiness to improve relations with India;

(c) whether the continuing skirmishes in Siachen area were also discussed; and

(d) if so, the outcome of the discussion held ?

THE MINISTER OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI B.R. BHAGAT) : (a) and (b). Yes, Sir.

(c) and (d). The Siachen Glacier and the area adjoining, has always been under our control and is an integral part of the territory of the Indian State of Jammu and Kashmir. The developments in Siachen Glacier figured between the Prime Minister and the President of Pakistan in their talks in Oman on November 18, 1985.