

Commission, New Delhi, have already been sent back to Pakistan ;

(b) if so, whether Government have made investigations into the matter ; and

(c) if so, how and under whose permission these persons were allowed to go back to Pakistan ?

THE MINISTER OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI SWARAN SINGH) : (a) No, Sir.

(b) and (c). Do not arise.

India's New Credit to Ceylon

*246. SHRI JAGADISH BHATTACHARYYA : Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state :

(a) whether Government of India propose to give a new credit to the extent of Rs. 6 crores to the Ceylon Government ; and

(b) if so, the reasons therefor ?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI SURENDRA PAL SINGH) : (a) and (b). The proposal to grant a credit to the Government of Ceylon is at present being discussed with a delegation from the Government of Ceylon.

Foreign Policy Planning Board

*247. SHRI SHYAMNANDAN MISHRA :
SHRI J. B. PATNAIK :

Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state .

(a) the functions of the Foreign Policy Planning Board ; and

(b) whether any sub-Committees have been constituted under it ?

THE MINISTER OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI SWARAN SINGH) : (a) The functions of the Policy Planning and Review Committee are essentially to study, analyse and review foreign policy issues. The proposals of the Committee are of a recommendatory character for decision by Government.

(b) No, Sir.

Tashkent Type Conference

*248. SHRI K. BALATHANDAYUTHAM : Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state :

(a) whether the attention of Government has been drawn to the reports that Russia is planning for a second Tashkent type of conference ; and

(b) if so, the reaction of Government thereto ?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI SURENDRA PAL SINGH) : (a) There is no basis for these reports.

(b) Does not arise.

Transit Facilities provided by Ceylon to Pakistan Military Aircraft

*249. SHRI S. A. MURUGANANTHAM :
SHRI G. Y. KRISHNAN :

Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state :

(a) whether Ceylon still continues to give transit facilities for the Pakistan military aircraft flying to Bangla Desh ; and

(b) if so, the reaction of Government of India thereto ?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI SURENDRA PAL SINGH) : (a) Government of Ceylon have assured us that they are not permitting the transit of Pakistan aircraft carrying arms, military equipment and armed forces personnel.

(b) Government of India welcome these assurances.

Recommendations of Polish Experts on Re-structuring of Coking Coal Mines

*252. SHRI K. MALLANNA : Will the Minister of STEEL AND MINES be pleased to state :

(a) whether a team of Polish experts visited India during the month of November, 1971 to advise on problems relating to re-structuring of the coking coal mines taken over by Government recently ;

(b) if so, the nature of recommendations made ; and