

themselves in substantive discussions for a peaceful settlement.

(b) The U.S. Govt. has already announced stoppage of bombing of North Vietnam.

(c) Does not arise.

#### IMPLEMENTATION OF KUTCH AWARD

\*229. SHRI MADHU LIMAYE : Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state :

(a) whether the Supreme Court issued any notice to her in the matter of Kutch Award implementation;

(b) whether she filed any affidavit personally in view of the wide resentment caused by the affidavit by the Under Secretary, Ministry of External Affairs; and

(c) If she has not filed a personal affidavit, whether the Under Secretary's statements also represent her views and of the Cabinet ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI B. R. BHAGAT) :  
(a) Yes, Sir.

(b) No, Sir.

(c) The Under Secretary's Statements represent the views of the Government of India.

#### NEWSPRINT QUOTA FOR NEWSPAPERS

\*230. SHRI SRADHAKAR SUPAKAR : Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that during the long period of press strike in big newspapers 'those newspapers which were not affected by the strike' asked for increased quota of newsprints as they had to increase their circulation; and

(b) if so, how many newspapers get the increased quota of newsprint ?

THE MINISTER OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (SHRI

K. K. SHAH) : (a) Yes, Sir. Requests have been received from 11 daily newspapers for additional quota of newsprint on account of increase in their circulation consequent upon strike by other newspapers.

(b) As an interim measure, advance allotments have already been made to eight daily newspapers against their entitlements for 1969-70. Advances will also be given to other newspapers whose circulation increased during this period. It has, since, been decided to allot additional newsprint on the basis of their audited circulation figures for the current period.

#### FRENCH EXPLOSIONS OF HYDROGEN BOMB

\*231. SHRI D. C. SHARMA : Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state :

(a) whether France has carried out consecutive Hydrogen bomb explosions on the 24th August, 1968 and 8th September, 1968; and

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

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI B. R. BHAGAT) :  
(a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The reaction of the Government is one of concern and regret.

#### NAVAL TRAINING INSTITUTE AT CHILKA (ORISSA)

\*232. SHRI CHINTAMANI PANIGRAHI :  
SHRI RABI RAY :

Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state :

(a) whether preliminary work has started for the setting up of a Naval Training Institute at Chilka lake site in Orissa;

(b) whether the State Government have agreed to give 600 acres of land near Chilka for this purpose;