

during his stay in Pakistan, and taken up for investigation.

(e) Vigilance is kept for taking appropriate action under the law against such individuals.

US Arms Supply to Pakistan

239. SHRI ANAND SINGH : Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state :

(a) whether Government have lately taken up with the US Government the issue of danger to peace in the Indian sub-continent arising from the supply of sophisticated weapons to USA to Pakistan ;

(b) if so, at what level and in what terms ; and

(c) whether the Prime Minister, during his proposed visit to USA, would discuss this issue with that Government ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI KHURSHEED ALAM KHAN) : (a) Yes Sir.

(b) and (c). India's views on the subject have been conveyed to the US Government in unmistakable terms and on several occasions including during the recent visits to India of the US Vice President, Secretary of State, Assistant Secretary of State and various Senators and Congressmen. The matter would also be taken up on future occasions whenever they arise.

Setback to Tourism in J & K State

240. PROF. SAIF-UD-DIN SOZ : Will the Minister of TOURISM AND CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state :

(a) whether any survey had been conducted to know the extent of setback to tourism in J & K State due to Punjab crisis and allied problems ; and

(b) if so, the measures his Ministry proposes to take to salvage the situation ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF TOURISM AND CIVIL AVIATION (SHRI ASHOK GEHLOT) : (a) A central team of officers constituted by the Planning Commission visited Jammu & Kashmir during October, 1984 to assess the distress caused to various segments of Tourism Industry in that State.

(b) The set-back to tourism in J & K State was mainly due to the adverse media publicity abroad of various incidents in India, including the Punjab crisis, and the disruption of road and train communication through Punjab. This is being counteracted by emphasising in our media publicity about the return of normalcy, security of tourists in India and the restoration of railway and road communication through Punjab, Special efforts taken to promote tourism exclusively in J & K State include the following :

- (1) Stress in the publicity campaign to promote Jammu & Kashmir not only as a holiday resort but also as a convention centre.
- (2) Increased liaison with Tour Operators, Travel Agents and media-men to project normalcy in J & K.
- (3) Offering winter group discount of 30 per cent by Indian Airlines on round trip fare in the Delhi-Srinagar sector for a group of 4 or more passengers for travel during 1st November to 31st March. The discount is also available for "Gulmarg Winter Package".
- (4) Introduction of a special package tour of seven days in Kashmir including 3 days skiing at Gulmarg for Rs. 1400/- by J & K Tourism Development Corporation and

- (5) Increasing the number of I A. flights between Delhi and Srinagar and introducing a flight between Srinagar and Bombay.

U.S.-USSR Summit Talks on Disarmament

241. SHRI AMAR ROYPRADHAN :
SHRI CHINTAMANI JENA :
SHRI ANAND SINGH :

Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state the outcome of recent discussions held between the Soviet Foreign Minister Mr. Andrei Gromyko and the U.S. Secretary of State Mr. George Shultz in Geneva on Nuclear arms control ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI KHURSHEED ALAM KHAN) : A meeting was held on January 7th and 8th, 1985 between Mr. George Shultz, the U.S. Secretary and Mr. Andrei Gromyko, the USSR Minister of Foreign Affairs. At the end of the meeting the USA and USSR agreed to commence fresh arms negotiations.

The joint statement issued on the subject states that "the subject of the negotiations will be a complex of questions concerning space and nuclear arms, both strategic and intermediate range, with all the questions considered and resolved in their inter relationship.

The negotiations will be conducted by a delegation from, each side divided into three groups."

The full text of the statement is attached.

Statement

As previously agreed, a meeting was held on January 7 and 8, 1985, in Geneva between George P. Shultz, U.S. Secretarr of State and Andrei A. Gromyko, Member of the Politburo of the Central Committee of the CPSU, First Deputy Chairman of the Council

of Ministers of the USSR, ann Minister of Foreign Affairs of the USSR.

During the meeting they discussed the subject and objectives of the forthcoming US-Soviet negotiations on nuclear and space arms.

The sides agree that the subject of the negotiations will be a complex of questions concerning space and nuclear both strategic and intermediate range with all the questions considered and resolved in their inter-relationship.

The objective of the negotiations will be to work out effective agreements aimed at preventing an arms race in space and terminating it on earth and limiting and reducing nuclear arms and at strengthening strategic stability. The negotiations will be conducted by a delegation from each side divided into three groups.

The sides believe that ultimately the forthcoming negotiations, just as efforts in general to limit and reduce arms, should lead to the complete elimination of nuclear arms everywhere.

The date of the beginning of the new negotiations and the site of these negotiations will be agreed through diplomatic channels within one month.

Disaster in Union Carbide Plant, Bhopal

242. PROF. MADHU DANDAVATE : Will the MINISTER OF INDUSTRY AND COMPANY AFFAIRS be pleased to state :

(a) whether at the time of granting licence to the Union Carbide Plant at Bhopal any hazards were foreseen and any conditions were prescribed prior to granting the licence ;

(b) if so, what were the conditions prescribed ;

(c) which was the machinery to monitor and check the implementation of these conditions ;