

permitted to broadcast an "appeal" for Bihar Relief Fund by the Poona Station of the AIR; and

(b) if so, the reasons on account of which this refusal was made?

The Minister of Information and Broadcasting (Shri K. K. Shah): (a) Yes, Sir. When the request of the Mayor of Poona was received for broadcast of an appeal for relief in Bihar from the Poona Station, we did not agree to it. However, the matter was subsequently reconsidered and he was permitted to broadcast on the 31st May, 1967.

(b) The main reason for station director's inability to permit the Mayor of Poona to broadcast an appeal was that as a matter of policy, A.I.R. does not broadcast appeals except by Heads of States or Central or State Ministers for the collection of funds and that too on rare occasions like, earthquake, floods, floating of Government loans for public benefit, etc.

#### Canada's Policy re: Sale of Nuclear Technology

\*435. Shri K. P. Singh Deo;  
Shri P. K. Deo:

Will the Minister of External Affairs be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the Canadian Government are reviewing its policy for the sale of nuclear technology to India;

(b) if so, whether it is due to the Indian Government's refusal to sign the nuclear non-proliferation treaty; and

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

The Minister of External Affairs (Shri M. C. Chagla): (a) The Government have no information to this effect.

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

#### Chinese Attempt to Scuttle Indo-Pak Peace talks

\*436. Shri P. K. Deo;  
Shri D. N. Patodia;  
Shri S. K. Tapariah;  
Shri K. P. Singh Deo;  
Shri H. Ajmal Khan:

Will the Minister of External Affairs be pleased to state:

(a) whether attention of Government has been invited to a news item in the *Indian Express* of the 24th May, 1967, saying that China is trying to scuttle Indo-Pakistan peace talks;

(b) if so, the initiative which has been taken by Peking in this regard; and

(c) the measures taken to counteract such news?

The Minister of External Affairs (Shri M. C. Chagla): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) Any proposals either from India or from any third Party which aim at improvement in Indo-Pak relations are the subject of hostile propaganda by China with a view to keep up the tension between the two countries.

(c) All opportunities are availed of in explaining to foreign countries the sinister designs behind this aspect of Chinese propaganda against India.

#### Entry Certificates by Indians for Visiting U.K.

\*437. Shrimati Sharda Mukerjee;  
Shri Indrajit Gupta:

Will the Minister of External Affairs be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have ascertained from the U.K. Government the criteria for procuring Entry Certificates by Indians for visiting Britain;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and